

ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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*“Today, I challenge you to pay it forward.
You don't need to save a village—only one lost soul.
Be the reflection of Christ and shine His light.
The cost is little, but the reward is rich.”*

*Dana Arcuri,
Harvest of Hope: Living Victoriously Through Adversity*

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

ST. ANDREW UMC AND THE WAY FORWARD

The Pastor and Administrative Board of St. Andrew UMC have assured our congregation that our priority is the health, vitality, and unity of St. Andrew and its ministries, and that we, as a local church, will not be compelled to take a direction that we do not choose for ourselves. No one is going to be asked to change their Biblical/Theological commitments and convictions. It is therefore essential that EVERYONE have the opportunity to voice their hopes and concerns around how to be in ministry with LGBTQ people. We are beginning to schedule small group conversations to be hosted by board members together with the Pastor. There is also an open invitation for people to address the pastor or board members, one-on-one, to share hopes and concerns. Soon you will be contacted by a board member with an opportunity to attend one of these sessions. If a congregation member is uncomfortable sharing their hopes and concerns in these ways they should contact a board member to discuss other arrangements.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9! The St. Andrew United Methodist Men are sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast on Saturday November 9** in honor of Alan Hartman. Hours are between 8:00am and 11:00am. Monies raised will be donated to Missions for our "Flash" Community Christmas Toy Store in December which provides Christmas toys and gifts for children in need in our local community. Thank you!

Veterans Eat Free!

PROJECT THANKSGIVING 2019 UPDATE

As you are aware, our annual Thanksgiving Basket project is well underway. We are still in need of food donations, particularly promises of frozen turkeys. Volunteers are needed on Saturday, November 23rd at 9:00am to assemble the food sets and at 2:00pm to help with distribution. At the Thanksgiving Project displays outside the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall, you will find signup sheets for donating turkeys and volunteering, as well as flyers listing the food needs. Please contact Dave and Sue Richardson through the church office if you need any further information. Thank you to everyone who has already donated, to those who are supporting the project with today's communion offering and for your prayers for the local families this project will serve. *"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor". Proverbs 22:9*

SOUP SALE SAVE THE DATES

Today, Sunday November 3 and Sunday November 10 St. Andrew youth group will be hosting a soup sale after both church services. Our soups will be made from the heart not the can. Come support our youth!

LITTLE BLESSINGS

November class is **cancelled**. Little Blessings December date has moved to December 4th.

NURSERY ATTENDANT NEEDED

Sunday mornings 9:15-10:30am and 10:45-12 noon. Must have experience with children, CPR and first aid certified a plus. Please contact Pastor Erik Hall or Harry Humphreys through the church office

COME JOIN SCOUTING

Pack 36 for youth kindergarten through 5th grade. Girls and boys welcome. Monday nights 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall.

Troop 36 for boys ages 11-18.

Monday nights 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall.

For more information see or call Doug Clayton 609-971-0044.

SAUMC NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION Interested in becoming a member of St. Andrew? Join our new member orientation with Pastor Erik on **Thursday, November 21st at 7pm.** Please call the church office let us know you'll be attending. New members will be received on Sunday November 24th.

ONE WORSHIP CELEBRATION

November 24th at 9:30am in the Sanctuary followed by brunch for all in celebration of "Commitment Sunday". Mark your calendar!

NORTH STAR HOLIDAY BAZAAR NOVEMBER 16TH

**DUE TO THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR BOTH 9:30AM & 11:00AM
WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE HELD IN THE SANCTUARY
NOVEMBER 17**

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 place the items in the Attic Treasures Bin in Fellowship Hall Lobby (inside the cabinet). Feel free to contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office to discuss the details if you would like. Thank you!

JEWELRY DONATIONS are being accepted for the Jewelry Station at the Holiday Bazaar. Please place your items in the marked Jewelry Bin in Fellowship Hall Lobby. 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 Gertrude Carroll (11/7), Susan Andzeski (11/7).

Missions

NOVEMBER COMMUNION OFFERING Today's Communion Offering will go towards our Thanksgiving Baskets Project. Special Offering Envelopes are included in today's bulletins. Please see our full article in the front section of the bulletin announcements for more information about this annual outreach project which impacts approximately 50 local Ocean County families in need. Be encouraged to also visit our Project Thanksgiving display in Fellowship Hall Lobby and in the Narthex near the Sanctuary where we have flyers listing

specific non-perishable food items which are needed. Thank you for your generosity! *The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. Proverbs 22:9*

NOVEMBER MISSION PRAYER The first Sunday in November is set aside as the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP). At St. Andrew, let us join with fellow Christians to lift our prayers before God on behalf of Christians throughout the world who are persecuted for their faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. In many nations, Christians face worship restrictions, public humiliation, and social isolation. Let us become more aware of these situations and throughout this month let us be united in prayer for our persecuted brothers and sisters worldwide. *"Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering."* Hebrews 13:3

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

(From the United Methodist Book of Resolutions)

As Paul writes of the interrelatedness of the body of Christ to the Corinthians saying that when "one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it" (1 Corinthians 12:26), so we recognize the presence of religious persecution throughout the world. As The United Methodist Church condemns religious intolerance and persecution of all faith groups, we heed Paul's words and acknowledge the interconnectedness we have with members of the body of Christ throughout the world who endure persecution because of their faith.

Since The United Methodist Church opposes injustice, intolerance, and bigotry and believes in the power of prayer, we encourage United Methodist congregations to observe in November an International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. It is through our earnest prayers that we grow in our sense of unity with Christians around the world, as well as with all members of religious groups who endure persecution. We become more aware of the needs of our brothers and sisters who suffer because of their faith, as we defend the religious freedoms of all faith communities.

"HAPPY THANKSGIVING" GREETING CARDS OUTREACH Today Sunday November 3, everyone is invited to sign "Happy Thanksgiving" 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 Thanksgiving pumpkins, cornucopias and turkeys, and includes a Scripture verse from the Psalms: *"Sing to the Lord with grateful praise" Psalm 147:7*

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 Operation Christmas Child Project continues through the middle of November. Although our OCC Shoebox Project display in Fellowship Hall Lobby is removed, we have resources and information available to anyone who would like to pack gift-filled shoeboxes for children in need around the world. In addition to the OCC Shoebox Project, St. Andrew is the OCC Central Drop-Off Location for Ocean and Monmouth Counties. Flyers are available on the display station counter in Fellowship Hall Lobby with important dates and other helpful information about the OCC Shoebox Project and our St. Andrew OCC Central Drop-Off Location. The flyers also contain information about how you can get involved and volunteer opportunities. For information, please contact OCC Shoebox Project and Central Drop-Off Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge, through the church office. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD CENTRAL DROP-OFF LOCATION AT ST. ANDREW We are recruiting volunteers to serve at our OCC Central Drop-Off Location at St. Andrew during **National Collection Week (November 18-25)**. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities: Prayer leaders and prayer team; Unloaders (those who unload gift-filled shoeboxes from the cars of donors who are dropping off); Cartonizers (those packing shoeboxes into OCC cartons); Trailer Helpers, and, Administrative support! More information about these volunteer opportunities are listed on a nearby page in the bulletin announcements. If you sense a call to serve with this important ministry, please reach out to Lucy DeBarge through the church office. Below are important dates and times relating to this outreach project.

Date	Drop-Off Hours for the Public Volunteers Greet donors and Unload Shoeboxes from cars into our building.	Packing Hours Volunteers pack gift-filled shoeboxes into Operation Christmas Child shipping cartons.
Mon November 18	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Evening Packing Hours beginning at 4:30 pm
Tues November 19	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Evening Packing Hours beginning at 4:30 pm
Tues November 19	5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	
Wed November 20	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Evening Packing Hours beginning at 5:30 pm
Thurs November 21	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Evening Packing Hours beginning at 4:30 pm
Fri November 22	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Evening Packing Hours beginning at 4:30 pm
Sat November 23	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Afternoon Packing Hours following Drop Offs
Sun November 24*	12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Afternoon Packing Hours: Following Drop-Offs
Mon November 25*	8:00 am – 10:00 am	Packing is done on this day during Drop-Off Time and following until packing is complete.

***Sunday November 24:** We are in need of men to load St. Andrew Shipping Cartons into trailers

***Monday November 25:** We are in need of Greeters/Unloaders and Packers during Drop-Off Time, and men to help load Shipping Cartons from OCC Area Teams into trailers beginning around 10:30am.

Weekly Servers

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP USHERS (SANCTUARY)

Nov. 10 Team #2
 Nov. 17 Team #3
 Nov. 24 Team #4
 Dec. 1 Team #5

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Nov. 10 Dave Richardson
 Nov. 17 Pat Lewis
 Nov. 24 Scott Susich (Combined Service in Sanctuary 9:30am)
 Dec. 1 Jan Phillips

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)

Nov. 10 Doug Clayton
 Nov. 17 Linda Phander
 Nov. 24 Scott Susich (Combined Service in Sanctuary 9:30am)
 Dec. 1 David Geller

9:30am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Nov. 10 Bill Koch, David Schwartz
 Nov. 17 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips
 Nov. 24 Bob DeBarge, Bill Koch
 (Combined Service in Sanctuary 9:30am)
 Dec. 1 Bill Koch, David Schwartz

11:00am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (SANCTUARY)

Nov. 10 Russ & Russ Thistle
 Nov. 17 Dick Green, Joe Herflicker
 Nov. 24 Bob DeBarge, Bill Koch (Combined Service in Sanctuary 9:30am)
 Dec. 1 Russ & Russ Thistle

<u>Weekly Calendar</u>	9:30AM	Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade; Adult Bible Study: Christian Coffees, Shared Ministry Office; The Wired Word, rm. 9.
Sun., Nov. 3	10:30AM 11:00AM 12:00PM	Coffee Hour/Soup Sale, Hosted by MYF, YES Club Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour/Soup Sale, Hosted by MYF, YES Club
Mon., Nov. 4	9:00-1:00PM 6:30PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Cardboard Box City Planning Meeting (Memorial Hall)
Tues., Nov. 5	9:00-1:00PM 10:00AM 7:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Women's Bible Study (rm. 9) Trustee Meeting (Shared Ministry Office)

Wed., Nov. 6	9:00-1:00PM 10:00-12:00PM 10:00-4:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Knit Wits (rm. 6) Shared Ministry Office Reserved
Thurs., Nov. 7	9:00-1:00PM 10:30AM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Naomi Circle (rm. 4 -6)
Fri., Nov. 8	9:00-1:00PM 11:00-3:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Women with Disabilities Arts & Crafts (Memorial Hall)
Sat., Nov. 9	8:00-11:00AM 7:00PM	Church wide Pancake Breakfast in honor of Alan Hartman sponsored by the UMM. Veterans Eat Free! (Fellowship Hall) AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
Sun., Nov. 10	9:30AM 10:30AM 11:00AM 12:00PM	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/Soup Sale, Hosted by MYF, YES Club Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour/Soup Sale, Hosted by MYF, YES Club