

**ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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***"To risk reputation and affection for the truth's sake is so demanding that to do it constantly you will need a degree of moral principle that only the Spirit of God can work in you. Do not turn your back like a coward, but play the man. Follow boldly in your Master's steps, for He has made this rough journey before you. Better a brief warfare and eternal rest than false peace and everlasting torment."***

***Alistair Begg***

***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.

**PRAISE! Worship Experience & Generation POUND®** Sunday February 2nd join us 12:30-1:00pm for PRAISE! then from 1:00-2:00pm for a fun workout with Generation POUND® using music and drumsticks. Get ready to make fitness about self-expression, empowerment, self-love and FUN! Session led by Lisa Pepper of Pound with Pepper. After POUND we will create and eat some simple healthy treats!

### **TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE USHER NEEDED!**

If you would like to be an usher please see or contact Shirley Stone through the church office.

### **SUPER BOWL SUNDAY MEATBALL SUBS** February 2, 2020

\$6.00 each

Sign-Up in Fellowship Hall

### **UMM PANCAKE BREAKFAST** February 8, 2020 \$6.00 Adult \$3.00 Child

8:00 to 11:00 am Fellowship Hall

All proceeds go to our Scouting Programs.

### **ADULT MISSION TRIP TO NORTH CAROLINA 6/28 - 7/3**

There will be a meeting on **Sunday February 9** between services in room 4/5 for anyone interested in joining the Adult Mission Team on their disaster recovery mission trip to NC. If you plan to join us please attend this planning meeting.

you have any questions please contact Sam Jones through the church office.

## *Women of St. Andrew*

**PLEASE SAVE-THE-DATE:** St. Andrew Women's One-Day Retreat, *Rest for Your Soul* will be held on **Saturday, March 28, 2020, 9am to 3:00pm**. Please watch the Sunday bulletin for more information in the next few weeks.

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** The United Methodist Women extend warm wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a year filled with God's blessings Linda Clifton (1/28), Emma Eisner (2/1).

**ST. ANDREW BOOK CLUB** will meet **Saturday, February 15**, at 9:30am in Memorial Hall to discuss the book, **City of Girls** by Elizabeth Gilbert.

**UMW READING PROGRAM:** All books for the 2019 reading program need to be finished by February 1. Lists of titles of books read with category and year that it was purchased as part of the program should be turned in by February 15. Your choices for purchase for the 2020 reading program also need to be turned in as soon as possible so that we can purchase the new books for this year. Books for the 2020 UMW Reading Program are those from 2016 to 2020. Thank you to all the readers who participated in this year's reading program. All women of St. Andrew are invited to take part in the UMW program in 2020. The program is meant to deepen faith and to widen understanding of the impact of Christians on our world today and in the past. Questions? Please contact Arlene Green through the church office. (This program is separate from St. Andrew Book Club.)

## *Missions*

**JANUARY MISSION PRAYER** This month the theme for our mission prayer is peace. Pray for peace in our homes and families; in our communities, towns, and cities; in our country; and, in the world. We pray for peace among all the nations and peoples of the world. As an aid, printed below is a version of what is known as the Peace Prayer:

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

It is in dying to self that we are born to eternal life."

**DONATION DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER** The Neighborhood Center in Camden, NJ is holding their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Community Baby Shower" on Saturday February 22. This event is held with the hope to shower expectant mothers in the local Camden community with items they will need for their babies. A flyer with details is included in today's bulletin announcements. For additional information, please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge, through the church office. Thank you so much for generosity!

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PROJECT: 2020 MONTHLY GUIDE** Each month during the first part of this year, Missions will include in the bulletin announcements a guide for you to begin to personally collect and hold shoebox items 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 January, consider looking for clothing items, like small dresses, T-shirts, socks, shoes, etc. We hope you will also pray for the children who will receive your 2020 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! 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!

**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.**

**We also include hygiene items and household cleaning items with the food sets for our Food Pantry clients. This is a great help and a blessing to those who receive them. As you are able, please drop off to our pantry: Full-Size Hygiene Items (such as bars of soap, shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion, etc.) and Household Cleaning Items (such as Pine Sol, bathroom cleaners, etc.). For this type of distribution, we prefer the regular size, not the small hotel size or trial size items. Products from the Dollar Tree are perfectly acceptable! THANK YOU for your kindness and generosity!**

## *Adult Studies*

### **CHRISTIAN COFFEES**

Our Christian Coffees Bible Study group meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Shared Ministry Office on the upper level near the Sanctuary. At this time, we are continuing our verse by verse study of the Letter to the Hebrews. For additional information, please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

**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.

### **BIBLE STUDIES AT LOCAL ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES**

Beginning the first week in February, we are holding Bible Study classes at 2 Assisted Living Facilities in Toms River. On Wednesday mornings beginning on February 5, from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, we will be at Spring Oak (2145 Whitesville Rd.); on Friday mornings beginning on February 7, from 10:30 am to 11:30 am, we will be at The Chelsea (1657 Silverton Rd.). Our classes are based on the Bible Study by Phillis Bennett, *Our Wise Counselor: Trusting God's Guidance*. We plan to hold classes through the beginning of April. If you would like to help by assisting at these classes (welcoming the residents to the class; helping them into their chairs; distributing handouts, etc.), please contact Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

## *Weekly Servers*

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

Feb. 2 Team #2

Feb. 9 Team #3

Feb. 16 Team #4

Feb. 23 Team #5

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)**

Feb. 2 Scott Susich  
Feb. 9 Jan Phillips  
Feb. 16 Dave Richardson  
Feb. 23 Michael Mazer

**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)**

Feb. 2 Barrington Gooden  
Feb. 9 David Geller  
Feb. 16 Barbara Delman  
Feb. 23 John Phander

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

Feb. 2 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Feb.9 Bill Koch, David Schwartz  
Feb. 16 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips  
Feb. 23 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

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

Feb. 2 Valerie Earp, Keila Earp  
Feb. 9 Bill Koch, David Schwartz  
Feb. 16 Dick Green, Joe Herflicker  
Feb. 23 Bob DeBarge, Keila Earp

<p><b><u>Weekly Calendar</u></b></p> <p><b>Sun., Jan. 26</b></p>	<p><b>9:30AM</b></p> <p><b>10:30AM</b> <b>11:00AM</b></p> <p><b>12:00PM</b> <b>7:00-8:00PM</b></p>	<p>Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); In celebration of Family Sunday children are invited to remain in worship today; Adult Bible Study: Christian Coffees (Shared Ministry Office); The Wired Word (rm. 9) Coffee Hour Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) In celebration of Family Sunday children are invited to remain in worship today. Coffee Hour The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life (Memorial Hall)</p>
<p><b>Mon., Jan. 27</b></p>	<p><b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>5:45PM</b> <b>6:30PM</b> <b>6:45PM</b> <b>7:00PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Son-Shine Bell Rehearsal Cardboard Box City Planning Committee (Memorial Hall) Gospel Choir Rehearsal Troop (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p><b>Tues., Jan. 28</b></p>	<p><b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>10:00-12:00PM</b> <b>1:30PM</b> <b>5:00PM</b>  <b>5:30PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) Women's Bible Study (rm. 4) Gospel Choir Rehearsal Thrive Chorus; elementary-school age music ministry (Choir Room) Thrive; elementary-school aged youth group (Fellowship Hall)</p>
<p><b>Wed., Jan. 29</b></p>	<p><b>9:00-1:00PM</b> <b>7-11:00AM</b></p> <p><b>10:00-12PM</b> <b>10:00-4:00PM</b> <b>11:00-12PM</b></p> <p><b>5:30-7:30PM</b></p>	<p>Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall) CSI Board Meeting (rm. 4-6) time includes setup &amp; breakdown Knit Wits (<b>rm. 9</b>) Shared Ministry Office Reserved The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life (rm. 4, 5) MYF &amp; YES Club (Fellowship Hall, rm. 4-5)</p>

<b>Thurs., Jan. 30</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Fri., Jan. 31</b>	<b>9:00-1:00PM</b>	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Sat., Feb. 1</b>	<b>6:30-9:00PM</b> <b>7:00PM</b>	Fellowship Hall Kitchen Reserved for UMM AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
<b>Sun., Feb. 2</b>	<b>9:30AM</b>  <b>10:30AM</b>  <b>11:00AM</b>  <b>12:00PM</b>  <b>12:30PM</b> <b>1:00PM</b> <b>7:00-8:00PM</b>	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 Sponsored by Youth; Super Bowl Sunday Subs sponsored by UMM) Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) RISE! Christian Education Pre K - 5th grade. Coffee Hour (Soup Sale Sponsored by Youth; Super Bowl Sunday Subs sponsored by UMM) PRAISE! Worship Experience (Sanctuary) Pound with Pepper (Fellowship Hall) The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life <b>(Cancelled Feb 2)</b>