ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

Martin Luther King Jr.

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®

Today **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 Please pick up your subs today!

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. Sam Jones

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES can be found in the Narthex lobby. If you don't see your envelopes, or would like to be assigned a number please contact the church office. Thank you!

BLUE CLAWS OUTING! July 24th at 7:00pm seats only \$10 Come join us for a fun family night! Signup sheets on the counter outside Fellowship Hall or contact Mary VanDeventer through the church office. All money due by June 7.

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 Georgia Noon (2/5), Nancy Nichols (2/6), Audrey Sustmann (2/7).

WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION On Saturday, February 22, at 10:00am in Memorial Hall there will be a brunch and white elephant auction for all women, teens and friends of St. Andrew. The proceeds will be donated to POAC which provides resources for families affected by autism. Please bring 1 or 2 new or used gift-wrapped items to be auctioned off. The items can be of any value, something you want to pass on or perhaps a Christmas gift that you cannot use. They can be serious or funny. Use your imagination! Come and begin your day with good food and great fellowship!

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: Lists of titles of books read for the 2019 program with category and year that it was purchased as part of the program should be turned in by February 15. 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. Books for the 2020 UMW Reading Program are those from 2016 to 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, particularly those things which effect women, children and youth. The books to be read can be found in a special UMW section of the Church Library. One book from each of the 5 categories must be read. Be sure to keep a list of the books and the date of the year they were included. Questions? Please contact to Arlene Green through the church office. (This program is separate from St. Andrew Book Club.)

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, provide needed resources, 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.

DONATION DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER The Neighborhood Center in Camden, NJ is holding their 2nd 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!

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:

- Child Care Center focus on Early Childhood Development Programs.
- After School focus on success for the next day at school, with Homework Completion and Tutoring
- Teen Evening with a Full Meal focus on Faith Development and a Path to College (In 2019 all of the teens attending the Teen Evening Program went to college.)
- Urban Farming The teens participating in the Teen Evening Program are 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.
- Noon Lunch and Food Pantry programs which support families.

Want to know more about The Neighborhood Center or how to get involved? Contact Missions Coordinator Lucy DeBarge through the church office.

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 everlasting love and unfailing kindness (Jeremiah 31:3), and that we are thinking of them and wishing them a Valentine's Day surrounded with beauty and filled with joy!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PROJECT: 2020 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!

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 15-16, 2020 "CARDBOARD BOX CITY" TO BENEFIT INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK OF OCEAN COUNTY

Cardboard Box City is a community wide event on the grounds of St. Andrew UMC to raise funds for Interfaith Hospitality Network and to raise awareness about the problem of homeless children and their families here in Ocean County. Check out Cardboard Box City event information on the St. Andrew UMC website:

https://www.standrewtr.org/missions/cardboard-box-city-fundraiser/
We'll be including more information about volunteer and sponsorship opportunities in future
bulletin announcements.

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!

Weekly Servers

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP USHERS (SANCTUARY)

Feb. 9 Team #3 Feb. 16 Team #4

Feb. 23 Team #5

March 1 Team #6

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Feb. 9 Jan Phillips

Feb. 16 Dave Richardson

Feb. 23 Michael Mazer

March 1 Pat Lewis

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)

Feb. 9 Barbara Delman

Feb. 16 David Geller

Feb. 23 John Phander

March 1 Linda Phander

9:30am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

Feb. 9 Bill Koch, David Schwartz

Feb. 16 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

Feb. 23 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips

March 1 Bill Koch, David Schwartz

11:00am SOUNDROOM SCHEDULE (SANCTUARY)

Feb. 9 Bill Koch, David Schwartz

Feb. 16 Dick Green, Joe Herflicker

Feb. 23 Bob DeBarge, Keila Earp

March 1 Russ and Russell Thistle

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Weekly Calendar	9:30AM	Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Christian			
		Education Pre K - 5th grade; Adult Bible Study: Christian			
Sun., Feb. 2	40.00	Coffees (Shared Ministry Office); The Wired Word (rm. 9)			
	10:30AM	Coffee Hour (Soup Sale Sponsored by Youth; Super Bowl			
		Sunday Subs sponsored by UMM)			
	11:00AM	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)			
	12:00PM	Coffee Hour (Soup Sale Sponsored by Youth; Super Bowl			
		Sunday Subs sponsored by UMM)			
	12:30PM	PRAISE! Worship Experience (Sanctuary)			
	1:00PM	Pound with Pepper (Fellowship Hall)			
	7:00-8:00PM	The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life			
		(Cancelled for this evening)			
Mon., Feb. 3	9:00-1:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)			
	5:45PM	Son-Shine Bell Rehearsal (Cancelled)			
	6:45PM	Gospel Choir Rehearsal			
	7:00PM	Troop (Fellowship Hall)			
Tues., Feb. 4	9:00-1:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)			
	10:00-12:00PM	Women's Bible Study (rm. 4)			
	1:30PM	Gospel Choir Rehearsal			
	5:00PM	Thrive Chorus; elementary-school age music ministry			
	- 20DM	(Choir Room)			
	5:30PM	Thrive; elementary-school aged youth group (Fellowship			
	7.00DM	Hall)			
Wed., Feb. 5	7:00PM	The Way Forward Informational Meeting (Memorial Hall) Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)			
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	10:00-12PM 10:00-4:00PM	Shared Ministry Office Reserved			
	11:00-12PM	The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life			
	11:00-12PM	(rm. 4, 5)			
	5:30-7:30PM	MYF & YES Club (Fellowship Hall, rm. 4-5)			
Thurs., Feb. 6	9:00-1:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)			
iliuis., reb. 6	10:30AM	Naomi Circle (rm. 4-5)			
Fri., Feb. 7	9:00-1:00PM	Senior Nutrition Site (Fellowship Hall)			
Sat., Feb. 8	9-11:00AM	UMM Church wide Pancake Breakfast. All proceeds go to			
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	7:00PM	our Scouting Programs. (Fellowship Hall)			
		AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)			
Sun., Feb. 9	9:30AM	Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR Christian			
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Scout Sunday	10.204	Coffees (Shared Ministry Office); The Wired Word (rm. 9)			
	10:30AM	Coffee Hour (Soup Sale Sponsored by Youth)			
	10:30AM	Adult Mission Trip Meeting (rm. 4-5)			
	11:00AM	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)			
	12:00PM	Coffee Hour (Soup Sale Sponsored by Youth)			
	7:00-8:00PM	The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life			