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# July 15, 2018

"Ignorance and fear create the gods, enthusiasm and deceit adorn them, and human weakness worships them."

Graham McNeill

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**

. **IMANI MILELE CHILDREN'S CHOIR** The Imani Milele Children's Choir from Uganda will be performing at St. Andrew on **Thursday July 19th at 7:00pm**. You are welcome to meet and dine with the children at **5:30pm in Fellowship Hall for a covered dish dinner**. This event is sure to be a fun-filled interactive and inspirational evening which will showcase true Africa. The children's vibrant costumes and enthusiastic energy creates a dynamic performance for all to enjoy!! For more information on who these children are please visit the website at www.imanimilele.com Save the date you'll be glad you did!! This is a **free** event

#### SAUMC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am-9:00am Chapel Worship in the Sanctuary. Join us in the Sanctuary for 30 minutes of simple, Christ-centered, faith-inspiring worship. Blending both traditional and contemporary styles, encounter God in an active, participatory way each week. Prayer practices, special music, communion, old favorite hymns, and other engaging acts of worship.
9:30am-10:30am Contemporary Worship in Fellowship Hall
11:00am-12:00pm Traditional

Worship in the Sanctuary

**ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENTS** have arrived!! They are brass and beautiful! You can purchase after both worship services, the sale will run for one month. The cost \$20 each. We have a limited number so stop by our table and take a look! Any questions see or call Mary at 732-255-3704.

**ANNIVERSARY LUNCH** starting on August 5th we will begin to distribute the tickets for our luncheon which will be on **Sunday September 23 at 12 noon** after our special service. This will be a catered lunch. It is a free event for our members and invited guests. We have invited our past Pastors as well as Choir Directors and hope to see many of them. Please see Mary or Dave VanDeventer, Lydia Poane, Fran Bond or Linda and John Phander for more info and for your tickets! Please make sure you can attend before you secure your ticket as we need accurate numbers for the caterers. This is a very exciting time in our church and we look forward to looking at our past and making plans for our future!

**ANNIVERSARY OUTREACH** We will be collecting shirts for Lakewood Middle School through the middle of August. We need NAVY BLUE T-shirts or 3 button Polo's, any adult size small to XL. The shirts are part of the students uniform and some of the students can only afford one, if any. It has been determined that this is a real need for that school. There will be a bin marked "Blue Shirts" in Fellowship Hall foyer for you to put them in. If you cannot shop and would like to make a monetary donation we can shop for you. Please help us in this anniversary outreach! Thank you, Mary VanDeventer.

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL DONATION DRIVE** Summer is a great time to take advantage of the back-to-school sales! We will be collecting **backpacks and school supplies** for families in need in our local community. Sturdy backpacks for boys and girls, younger and older students, are all appreciated. Other supplies include: binders (1 and 2 inch), loose leaf paper (college and wide ruled), subject dividers, sturdy folders, notebooks, pens and pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons and colored pencils, highlighters and markers, white-out, glue and glue

sticks, rulers, pencil cases, construction paper, lunch boxes. A marked bin is located in Fellowship Hall Lobby. We will be collecting items through the middle of August. *Note:* If there is need for back-to-school supplies, please contact Lucy DeBarge at 732-833-9975 with confidential referrals. If you prefer to give a gift card, or if you have any questions, please see Lucy DeBarge. Thank you so much for your kindness in helping families in our community!

#### **CHURCH WIDE BREAKFASTS**

Everyone is invited to two Church Wide Breakfast events this summer which are sponsored by St. Andrew UM Men. **Date: Saturday August 11.** Both are FREE; however we ask that you sign up at the table in Fellowship Hall Lobby to let us know that you plan to attend. Breakfast begins at 9:00am and will include a Missions guest speaker following breakfast. **Menu:** Apple Juice, coffee and tea; scrambled eggs; scrambled eggs with cheese; pancakes; French toast; smashed potatoes; hash browns; pork roll; sausage; fresh fruit; and yogurt. **Guest Speakers:** On August 11, our guest speaker will be Sam Jones who will be sharing information about our upcoming Cardboard Box City fundraising event to be held here at St. Andrew in September which will benefit Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County (#ONENIGHTINABOX2018).

Special Request: When you come to each breakfast, please bring a donation of nonperishable food for our St. Andrew Food Pantry. Thank you!

**CARDBOARD BOX CITY AT ST. ANDREW: #ONENIGHTINABOX2018** Mark your calendars now for an exciting fundraiser to benefit Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County! On **September 21-22, 2018** St. Andrew will be hosting the first "Cardboard Box City" event in Ocean County. Will you spend one night in a box to help raise awareness of homeless families right here in Ocean County? Please help us spread the news about this unique fundraising opportunity! Help us reach out to youth groups, scouting groups, families, individuals, and corporate teams. Information can be found on our St. Andrew website at http://standrewtr.org/missions/cardboard-box-city-fundraiser- Printed Flyers are available at the Missions Table in Fellowship Hall Lobby. Contacts for this event are Sam Jones at 732-849-6153; Vita Hansen at 732-240-5283; and Lucy DeBarge at 732-833-9975.

## **Missions**

**JULY MISSION PRAYER** This month we lift up in prayer our St. Andrew Youth Summer Mission Trip (July 15-21). Please pray for our St. Andrew Youth and their leaders who are participating in a construction Mission Trip to Blue Knob, PA to help those who are economically disadvantaged. Please pray for the people they are serving. Pray also for the Mission Teams' safety in travel, at work sites and with all of their activities. Ask God to bless their hearts and minds and to bring them closer to Him and to each other while on their Mission Trip, and that He would continue to bless them when they return as they reflect upon their experiences.

**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.

#### CHRISTMAS IN JULY: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD "GOOD NEWS. GREAT JOY."

What better time than now to start building gift-filled shoeboxes for needy children around the world! Visit our display in Fellowship Hall Lobby for empty shoeboxes and brochures with information and suggestions for packing shoeboxes. The display will be set up during the months of July and August. Pick up empty shoeboxes (preprinted decorated shoeboxes), then decide for each shoebox if you will pack for a girl or for a boy, and the age category. Gifts should include age appropriate toys, dolls, stuffed animals, hygiene items, school supplies, etc. **Important Reminders:** No candy and No Toothpaste (due to customs regulations). No liquids of any kind and No war related toys, please! Return your gift filled shoeboxes to St. Andrew at your convenience before November 12. At the display you will find handouts with additional information about Operation Christmas Child, or visit our St. Andrew website Mission Page for details. Contact for this project is Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone 732-833-9975.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD PROJECT: 2018 MONTHLY GUIDE** Each month we are including a monthly guide for you to personally purchase and tuck away 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. At St. Andrew, we are kicking off our Operation Christmas Child project this month under the "Christmas in July" banner and distributing empty shoeboxes and OCC labels. For the month of July, consider purchasing <u>School Supplies</u> to include in your OCC Shoeboxes: Examples might be Pencils, Sharpeners, Pens, Writing Paper Pads, Crayons, Coloring Books, Pencil Pouches, Calculators (solar or include batteries). We hope you will also pray for the children who will receive your 2018 Operation Christmas Child project, please reach out to Missions Coordinator, Lucy DeBarge. Thank you and God bless you!

**COORDINATOR HELP NEEDED** We are just now entering the summer season with all of its fun; however, in the background we are planning upcoming Missions projects for the latter half of the year. One of those projects this fall is the annual drive to support our Thanksgiving Baskets Project. This year we are looking for a lead Coordinator to head up this project. Our St. Andrew Thanksgiving Baskets Project helps many families in our local Ocean County community. During 2017 we provided a Thanksgiving feast plus a week of nonperishable food to more than 70 families. The most important qualification for this volunteer position is a heart for Mission – the compassion and grace to work well with those who will benefit from this outreach as well as working well with our volunteers who assist with this project. In addition, organizational skills are helpful and the availability to work on this Project during the months of October and November. If you feel a heart tug, please prayerfully consider if you might be our next Thanksgiving Baskets Project Coordinator. Please contact Missions Coordinator Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

**CALLING OUR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD VOLUNTEERS** We have an awesome opportunity this summer to learn more about the amazing journey of an OCC shoebox! Connie Zinn with the OCC Regional Office in Maryland is coming to NJ to share highlights of her shoebox distribution trip to Ukraine. You'll be able to see firsthand what happens on the other side of the shoebox - after they leave the Processing Center and arrive at their destination! Connie will be making this presentation at one of our OCC South-Central NJ Area Team churches: Jackson UM Church, 68 Bennetts Mills Rd., Jackson, NJ. Date and Time: Tuesday July 31 at 7:00 PM. We plan carpooling from St. Andrew. This opportunity

is open to anyone who is interested and/or wants to learn more about Operation Christmas Child. For more information, contact Lucy DeBarge at lucydebarge@yahoo.com or by phone at 732-833-9975.

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!

# 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 Vita Hansen (7/16), Katrinah Earp (7/20), Joyce Hickman (7/21), Cheryl Myles (7/21).

**TUESDAY MORNING AT THE MOVIES:** The Women's Summer Study Group will be "going" to the movies. On the following dates in **Memorial Hall**, we will offer films related to social issues, mission, influential voices in theology and people of the Bible. <u>Everyone</u> is invited. \*July 24, 10:00-10:30 *The Life of John Wesley* - The story of the man whose spiritual journey, life of service and devotion to God created the vision and mission of the United Methodist Church. \*July 31, 10:00-11:00 *Dietrich Bonhoeffer: a documentary* \*August 7, 10:00-10:30 A double feature, *Mission Appalachia*, also *C. S. Lewis: The Most Reluctant Convert* \*August 21, 10:00-12:15 The Story of the 12 Apostles

#### SPECIAL REQUEST

*Phyllis Vogel* has a new phone number; 732-854-5305. Friends, please feel free to call and say hello, Phyllis would love to hear from you!

**TRADITIONAL USHERS NEEDED** If you are interested in becoming an usher at the 11:00am worship service, please contact Shirley Stone at 732-286-9508.

# Weekly Servers

#### **USHERS (SANCTUARY)**

July 22 Team #6 July 29 Team #1 August 5 Team #2 August 12 Team #3

### CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP LEADERS (FELLOWSHIP HALL)

July 22 Ann Canter July 29 Heather Sabey August 5 Michael Mazer August 12 Pat Lewis

### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS (SANCTUARY)

July 22 Vita Hansen July 29 Harry Humphreys August 5 Bob DeBarge August 12 Doug Clayton

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

July 22 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips July 29 Bill Koch, Jan Phillips August 5 Robin Susich, Bill Koch

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

July 22 Bob DeBarge, Andy LeCompte July 29 Bob DeBarge, Andy LeCompte August 5 Dave VanDeventer

WEEKLY CALENDAR		
Sun., July 15		MYF Mission Trip Departure
	8:30-9:00AM	Chapel Worship (Sanctuary)
	9:30AM	Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); SOAR
		Summer Time
	10:30AM	Coffee Hour
	10:40AM	Summer Singers Warm Up (Choir Room)
	11:00AM	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:00PM	Coffee Hour
Mon., July 16	10:30-12:00PM	FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall &
		Kitchen)
	6:30PM	Summer Singers Rehearsal
	7:00PM	Trustee Meeting (Shared Ministry Office)
	7:30PM	5th Sunday Practice (Fellowship Hall)
Tues., July 17	10:30-12:30PM	Kitchen Committee (Memorial Hall)
Wed., July 18	10:00-12:00PM	Knit Wits (rm. 4, 5)
	5:00-6:00PM	FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall &
		Kitchen)
	6:00PM on	Memorial Hall/Fellowship Hall Reserved
Thurs., July 19	5:30PM	Covered Dish Dinner with the Imani Milele
		Children's Choir (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00PM	Imani Milele Children's Choir/Free Concert Event
		(Sanctuary)
Fri., July 20	12:30-1:30PM	FP Distribution Appt. Only (Memorial Hall &
		Kitchen)
Sat., July 21	10:30AM	Women's Book Club (rm. 9
	7:00PM	AA (Memorial Hall & Kitchen)
Sun., July 22	8:30-9:00AM	Chapel Worship (Sanctuary)
	9:30AM	Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall); Family
		Sunday, children are invited to remain in
		worship today.
	10:30AM	Coffee Hour
	10:40AM	Summer Singers Warm Up (Choir Room)
	11:00AM	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:00PM	Coffee Hour