

ST. ANDREW UMC 2022 NEWSLETTER



- **SAUMC's Church Conference** will be held Saturday, November 19 at 11:00am via Zoom. If you have any questions about Church Conference, please ask Pastor Anna.
- **Combined Service Potluck Sunday!** Combined 10:00am service will be Sunday, September 11 followed by a potluck. Pastor Anna will give a short presentation on the history of the Methodist denomination. Bring your favorite dish and let's enjoy time together as a church family. All are welcome, even if you are not able to bring food.
- **Counters Needed!** Contact Mary Garreau at megarr0304@aol.com or call the church office 732-349-5367. Thank you!
- **Cardboard Box City** is scheduled for Friday night September 9. Youth from our church and Youth Unite will spend the night sleeping in boxes behind our church. They each will have raised \$50.00 in pledges to support *The Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN)* of Ocean County. Adults are welcome to join them. Anyone who contributes will be listed on the "Wall of Honor" at the event. We are in need of volunteers who can help provide security throughout the event. This event not only raises funds for IHN but also raises awareness of the problem of homelessness here in Toms River and the surrounding area. Please pray on it, any help or donation will be greatly appreciated. For information contact the office or talk to Vita Hansen, Scott Susich, Sam Jones, Lynn Koch, or Scott Clifton, Jr.
- **The United Methodist Men (UMM)** will be serving breakfast to the Youth of Cardboard City on Saturday, September 10 in Fellowship Hall. If anyone wants to help please be at the Church before 6:00am. If you come at 9:00am no one will be there. If you want to help call or email Doug Clayton at 609-971-0044 or dbclayton1@yahoo.com.
- **Interfaith.** "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in..." Matthew 25:35. On Sunday, September 11 to Saturday, September 17 we will be hosting the Interfaith families. We need people to cook, host and overnight host. Please let us know if you have a few hours to give to help this important mission work. Please contact Vita Hansen at 732 240 5283 or by email: vitalynn@yahoo.com. The Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County brings the faith community together to help families regain their housing, their independence, and their dignity.

- **Meals That Heal.** Get out your Sombrero and get ready to join us for our Mexican Meals That Heal on Wednesday, September 21 from 5-7pm! Menu: Enchiladas with white or red sauce, Spanish rice, Re-fried Beans, Corn Casserole, Lydia's Taco Salad, Dessert and Drinks.
- **New Study with Pastor Anna.** Pastor Anna will begin a new in depth study on the history and beliefs of the United Methodist Church. The study will be held via ZOOM on Thursdays at 10:00am and 7:00pm. The 6 week class begins September 29. Please contact the church office to register for the class.
- **Trustee News.** The Trustees would like to give a bit of information regarding Monday night's AA group **Conscious Contact**. They meet at 7:00pm each week in Memorial Hall. The group first met at Holy Cross Church over 9 years ago. Their working focus model is prayer meditation. If you would like more information on this group, contact Pastor Anna or any of the Trustees.
- **SAUMC Library Book Review.** New York Times and USA Today's Bestseller #1 International Bestseller, **The Lost Boy** by Dave Palzer. This bestseller is about a foster child's search for the love of a family. Our library is located across from the nursery on the first floor, come in and look around! When you sign a book out please include date, name and telephone number. This month's selection will be on the book rack outside of Fellowship Hall. There is a box to place the card on the top of the rack. Any questions call Joan Sola 732-240-7516.



United
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- After 150+ years, The United Methodist Women (UMW) has a new name. We are now **United Women in Faith!** "The move is part of a refreshing of the organization that includes a new logo and an array of new and improved programs to nurture current members and welcome new women to join to put their love in action on behalf of women, children, and youth. The new name also aims to welcome current members whose local churches may choose to disaffiliate from The United Methodist Church as well as women of other faith traditions who want to join." We are excited to announce that we will have our first 'in person' UWF meeting since dealing with COVID on Saturday, October 22 at 10:30am. We invite all St. Andrew women to join us for fellowship, an informative program and help make an impact on our world. For more information or any questions please contact Vita Hansen at vitalynn@yahoo.com or 732 240 5283.
- **Vendors/Craft Festival.** SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, October 15 from 9-2:00pm on the outdoor parking lot of St. Andrew. Come join in the fun and get a head start on your holiday shopping! Enjoy delicious food by Andy's Cafe, handmade items by our KnitWit ladies, picture taking in our mini pumpkin area, fall mums to buy, our special holiday donations tables, friendly vendors and so much more.
- **WOW! (Women's Book Club)** Every third Saturday 10 -11:00am via zoom. September's book **Redeeming Love** by Francine Rivers. Contact Pat Lewis for zoom information.