



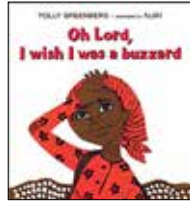
# Weekly CHATTER

August 21, 2022

Worship Service in the Family Life Center and Online.

**WORSHIP UPDATE.** This Sunday, we continue our summer sermon series, *"In the Right Direction,"* based upon *Proverbs 22:6*.

Using a series of children's books, we will explore the "Good News" through stories made for both young and old. This Sunday - *"Oh Lord, I Wish I Was A Buzzard"*. Remember, you can join for worship 1) in-person, 2) via zoom, and 3) via YouTube. Links for ZOOM and YouTube can be found on the church's website.



**PARDON OUR GLITCH IN TECHNOLOGY** on Sunday, August 14th. This service is now available for viewing. To watch services from this week or previous Sundays, please go to the YouTube link below or click on it:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3MCLCylxUVQ>

**On Sunday, September 4th**, we will gather onsite at 10:00 a.m. for a worship watch party! Labor Day weekend is traditionally Camp Tekoa weekend for St. Andrew's UMC and for those who are not heading up the mountain, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall to worship, pray, and fellowship! That Sunday, we will not have a separate intercessory prayer time nor small group time.

**On September 11th**, we will begin a new eight-week series based upon work by Kay Kotan that will explore what it means to be a post-pandemic church. Our first Sunday, we will have a conversation about being spiritually grounded and part of that work will include a prayer walk of the building and grounds! Watch here for more information. Also, on **September 11th**, the time for our intercessory prayer will shift to 9:15 a.m.

**THE FUTURE OF THE UMC** a presentation by Dan Pezet, Metro District Superintendent, and Amy Coles, Assistant to the Bishop. **Join us on Sunday, August 21st, at 4:00 p.m. at South Park UMC and Sunday, September 25th, at 4:00 p.m. at University City UMC.** This will be a chance to hear from Conference leadership about some of the current issues facing our church. We will address and clarify some common questions and rumors that have emerged about the church's stance on same-sex marriages and the ordination of LGBTQ pastors. **On August 28th and October 2nd, at 11:11 a.m. there will be a follow-up conversation here at St. Andrew's UMC in Room #17.** There is no requirement to attend both, we just know some folks have asked for a "local" option. Join us for this important discussion.

## BACK TO SCHOOL.

### Get Involved!

**Monday, August 22nd - 7:00 a.m.**  
**Teachers Appreciation Breakfast**

We need all hands on deck to cut fruit, warm up the casseroles, set tables and server. See Sherry Jackson for more information. **Return casseroles to the church on Sunday, August 21st.**

### Sunday, August 28th Montclair Faire

Following the worship service in the Narthex. Sign up to support students and teachers.

**To fund this support**, give through the Patsy Davis Project.

### THANK YOU, ST. ANDREW'S UMC!

With your help, we assembled 100 teacher back-to-school bags for the staff at Montclair Elementary, St. Andrew's preschool, and the teachers in our congregation. We will be gifting them with essential pens, notepads, and other items to benefit their classrooms and bring a smile to their day. We are also able to provide recreation equipment to be shared among Montclair classrooms.

**BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS.** It's back to school time! Bring your backpacks, briefcases, lunchboxes, purses, and more to worship on August 28th and lay them on the worship table to receive a special blessing as we begin a new school year. Let's keep our students, teachers, support staff, and families in prayer as they go back to school.



### BOOK CLUB HOSTED BY SUSANNA

**CIRCLE.** Come be a part of our bi-monthly meetings. Join us next on Friday, **August 26th**, at 6:30 p.m. as we discuss *"The Woman in Cabin 10"* by Ruth Ware. Please call Nicole Campbell at 704-589-2601 for more details. Nicole will

be hosting the meeting at her home. All women are welcome. Invite a friend.

### PLEASE GO TO THE CHURCHES WEBSITE AT:

[www.standrewsumc.com](http://www.standrewsumc.com) to see a thank you letter we received from **Learning Help Center of Charlotte (LHCC)**. They just wrapped-up their summer camping program here at St. Andrew's UMC. 16 days, 75+ families, 120 children, a 10-year anniversary, and engagement (hopefully to grow) by our church's laity. That is something to celebrate. Looking forward to the next steps!



### SUMMER SINGING WITH THE CHOIR!

Come join the choir this summer on Sunday, **August 28th**. No weeknight rehearsal and no music reading required! Just show up on Sunday at 8:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary, ready to raise your voice in praise. All ages and abilities welcome! Questions? Reach out to Sara at [churchmusic@standrewsumc.com](mailto:churchmusic@standrewsumc.com).



## AUGUST Birthdays

- 21 Joyce Hennecey
- 22 Myrtle Lawson
- 22 Patricia Loeza
- 22 Katie Patton
- 22 Patricia Peres
- 23 Libbie Johnson
- 24 Carlos Alava
- 25 Vicki Grooms
- 26 Emeterio Bermudez
- 26 Charlene Simpson
- 27 Jason Buzzard
- 27 Marcela Marazita

### WORSHIP SERVICE AUGUST 21, 2022

9:30 a.m. - Worship  
Through Prayer

10:00 a.m. in the  
Family Life Center  
*"Oh Lord, I Wish  
I Was A Buzzard"*

Psalm 46

11:11 a.m. - Spiritual  
Formation and Fellowship  
for Children, Youth,  
and Adults.

### REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Closed on Fridays.

### SAVE THE DATE.



**FOOD TRUCK PARTY**  
Saturday, September 17th  
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



**PLEASE JOIN IN  
CELEBRATING  
Wilda Council's  
99th birthday**

**Wilda Council** on Friday,  
**September 2nd**. Let's  
shower her with birthday  
wishes by sending her  
cards to: **Wilda Council,  
Matthew Glen, 733 Pavilion  
View Dr., Apt. B306,  
Matthews, NC 28105.**