



Weekly CHATTER

AUGUST 29, 2021
**Sunday, August 29th,
In Person and Online Worship.**


WORSHIP UPDATE

WORSHIP SERVICE on August 29th will be both in person and online at 10:00 a.m. It will be a special morning of prayer in the Sanctuary. On Labor Day Sunday, September 5th, we will be online only with a special livestream from Camp Tekoa and Sunday, September 12th, will be both online and in-person as we conclude our Story Walk of the Summer.

FALL 2021 - WORSHIP SERVICES

The lay leadership, pastors and staff of St. Andrew's UMC have been meeting, praying, discussing, and listening throughout this season. We have learned, adapted and grown while navigating our way through the pandemic, while maintaining our ultimate mission of spreading the Gospel and Love of Jesus to those we encounter. As we move forward this fall, we make these plans from a position of strength, knowledge, and discernment to boldly proclaim that we are an active body of Christ ready and willing to build strong relationships and put our faith into action. **Click the following link to access the full update:**



https://www.standrewsumc.com/uploads/1/2/3/2/12323833/admin_co_worship_update_fall_2021_disk_sr.pdf

In summary, **beginning September 19th**, our Sunday mornings will follow an in-person pattern of **Worship through Prayer at 9:30 a.m.**, followed by **Worship in Music and Word at 10:00 a.m.** (to be live-streamed weekly). We will continue to have services in the Family Life Center and Sanctuary, and from time to time outside. The music and order will be a mixture of traditional and contemporary keeping with the space and occasion.

At 11:00 a.m., we will engage **spiritual formation** for children, youth, adult Sunday School classes and other small groups. **On the last Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m.**, our **Cross-Cultural Ministry** will gather for a celebration and bi-lingual study to which everyone is invited. And Sunday afternoons will become our time for discipleship for children, youth, and families. We are still in the discernment process of what a mid-week gathering will look like, and we hope to resume that ministry in 2022.

This pattern will be our guide for the next several months, September - December. We will then assess and revise the plan later in the fall.

God placed St. Andrew's in this community over 60 years ago. Our mission of following Jesus, being and making disciples for the transformation of the world hasn't changed, but our methods and approaches must. As we step forward in our faith, steeped from the lessons we have learned, God is already there, and we look forward to where God is leading.

Yours in Christ,
David Lisk, Sr., Church Council Chair

WITH THE RECENT UPTICK IN COVID CASES, we have returned to wearing masks when meeting indoors for worship and small group gatherings, regardless of vaccination status. As John Wesley reminds, the first rule is "Do No Harm." Thanks for your cooperation.

Sherri Barnes, Pastor,
St. Andrew's UMC-Charlotte



St. Andrew's Preschool is in need of a teacher for our three-year-old class. If interested, please call Amanda Newhouse at 704-553-7896 or email preschool@standrewsumc.com.

Amanda Newhouse, Preschool Director



FOCUS/LISTENING GROUPS. This Sunday, August 29th, we will have a listening session following our service of worship. Beginning at 11:15 a.m. we will meet with our CCM family in the Fellowship Hall. English speakers are invited to join via ZOOM at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85443190838?pwd=Wjk5UWRMeXNjb3diNXVlZ3lyOXJudz09> or Room 17, near the Sanctuary. The session will last approximately one hour. Need more information, please reach out to Pastor Sherri or the church's leadership team. Questions are available on the church's website.



MONTCLAIRE ES TEACHER APPRECIATION - PATSY DAVIS PROJECT. Thank you to the volunteers who were present on Monday, August 23rd, to help put together bag breakfast meals for the teachers and staff at Montclair Elementary School. We delivered 80 meals to the teachers and staff to encourage them as they prepared for student's arrival on Wednesday! The Patsy Davis Project will continue to be active this year in support of the teachers and staff at Montclair ES! Please look for ways to contribute either through financial gifts or gifts of time and talents!



- 29 Henry Bryant
- 29 Miguel Mendez Gonzalez
- 30 Mark Francis
- 30 Bobby Sherrill
- 31 Brenda LaBorde
- 31 Delmi Palma
- 31 Ruth Adams



- 1 Julie Hecksher
- 2 Wilda Council
- 2 Dana Huntley
- 2 Annie Jones
- 3 Kevin Jones
- 3 Kayla McMurray
- 3 Breanna Welles
- 4 Robert Newhouse

WORSHIP SERVICES
AUGUST 29TH, 10:00 a.m.
In-Person (Sanctuary) and online.

"And Jesus Wept"
John 11:28-37

SEPTEMBER 5TH, 10:00 a.m.
Online only streamed from
Camp Tekoa.

"Renewed"
Luke 9:28-36

REGULAR CHURCH HOURS:

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

PLEASE HELP CELEBRATE.

Wilda Council will be celebrating her 98th birthday on Thursday, September 2nd. Let's shower her with cards. Please send cards to:

Wilda Council
c/o Matthews Glen
733 Pavilion View Drive,
Room B 306
Matthews, NC 28105

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies ..."

John 11:25