



Weekly CHATTER

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

THIS SUNDAY WORSHIP ONLINE ONLY.

CHURCH NEWS

WORSHIP UPDATE FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

This Sunday, November 22nd, we will be online only for worship. We will also be online only for the first and second Sundays of Advent, November 29th and December 6th.

We plan to gather for in-person as well as online worship on December 13th. On Christmas Eve, December 24th, we are planning to meet for in-person services in the Sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. and again at 8:00 p.m. An online only service will also be shared at 7:00 p.m. Reservations for Christmas Eve will be available in early December.

MUSIC NOTES. Tune into the St. Andrew's UMC Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/StAndrewsUMC.Charlotte/> for MUSIC NOTES Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00 p.m. During this time when singing in church is unsafe, what a great chance to sing and let it all out at home! Jimmy New will help us sing and give thanks to God.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE PART OF A VIRTUAL MASS CHRISTMAS CHOIR? The United Methodist Church is offering the opportunity for anyone who would like to sing in a virtual mass Christmas choir. The St. Andrew's Choir will participate, and is opening the doors to anyone in the congregation who would like to sing a medley of 4 Christmas carols (all melody - super easy!). There will be an informational Zoom meeting on **Tuesday, November 24th, at 6:30 p.m.** to answer any questions. Hop on this Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83102759985?pwd=cGIVYkFFeGN1WHNra01qVWVvKnhREQT09>

Meeting ID: 831 0275 9985 Passcode: 428462

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN -- COLLECTING PRAISES IN NOVEMBER.

In light of an extraordinary 2020, the Mary Lou Owens award will celebrate all of the mission and ministry of SAUMC. Please take a moment to comment on the outstanding contributions of our church family and staff. A comment can be emailed to the church office at churchoffice@standrewsumc.com or dropped off in a bag located near the office. We'll be collecting praises throughout November! Thanks for your support.



ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS CARDS.

St. Andrew's UMC is once again providing an opportunity to honor or remember someone special through donations to our church's partner ministries. And this year's cover design is from our very own artist-in-residence, Patti Huss. Please make checks payable to SAUMC and note your charity choices on the "for" line. Cards will be available in the Narthex during office hours throughout December.

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6TH FROM, 4:00 TO 5:30 P.M. ALL AGES WELCOME.

Ready for a fun time of games and activities as we celebrate the coming of Christmas? Bring your whole family and join us for a piñata, building of the Nativity, and lighting of the Christmas tree. We invite you to bring flowers or fruit to decorate around the Nativity. We are also collecting non-perishable food items to share with Loaves & Fishes for those who are in need this Christmas season. **Donations are needed for the festival:** Small bottles of water, small individually-wrapped candies or small toy prizes, Christmas cookies, and silver tinsel from the Dollar Tree store.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



MAKE YOUR OWN ADVENT WREATH.

If you need an Advent wreath this season, we have a few ideas of how you can make your very own: pick up from the Dollar Store green garland, 5 tea light candles (battery operated) and purple ribbon. Tie purple ribbon around 4 of the candles leaving 1 candle white. Form a circle with your greenery and place the candles on or around the circle, with the white candle in the middle. For a more traditional look, decorate a green Styrofoam wreath with greenery and insert taper candles up right in the wreath. Join us online at www.standrewsumc.com each Sunday worship during Advent as we light our candles together.



WHAT'S COMING UP? WINTER VBS!

Please join us in January as we host a Winter Vacation Bible School entitled "Knights of North Castle". We are planning to meet in person as well as online. **Donations are needed as we begin preparing for this event. We need:** Brown craft paper rolls, clear zip ties, white tulle, polyester fiberfill, aluminum foil, rectangle plastic tablecloths (purple, light blue or lime green). And if you are getting rid of your old artificial tree, we can use that too. Email Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com for more information. You may drop your tree off at the church or make arrangements to have it picked it up. Thank you.



- 22 Dewayne Spears
- 23 Claudia Brooks
- 23 Karen Gibson
- 24 Anna Hecksher
- 24 Doreen Leger
- 25 Milly Ash
- 25 Shanna Morales
- 26 Pam Bame
- 27 Amy Friese
- 28 Hurst Mauldin Jr.
- 28 Maggie Patton
- 29 Daniel Lewyn
- 29 Mary Kay Moore

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**NOVEMBER
ALL SERVICES ONLINE
ONLY AT 10:00 A.M.**

NOVEMBER 22 - Joel

**NOVEMBER 29 - Haggai
First Sunday of Advent**

REGULAR CHURCH HOURS:

**MONDAY-THURSDAY
9:00A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

CLOSED ON FRIDAYS



**THANKSGIVING
HOLIDAY CHURCH
HOURS:**

**THE CHURCH IS CLOSED
ON THANKSGIVING DAY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER
26TH, AND FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 27TH.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON -- JOEL 2:12-13

"Now, therefore," says the Lord, "Turn to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the Lord your God, For He is gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm.