

#### **WORSHIP UPDATE**

1 Peter 3:15 offers, "worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks you about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it." In short, as a follower of Jesus, we are to always be prepared to give a witness. This Sunday, we'll take a look at the hope and the witness that we claim and share. And don't forget that the Methodist questions class continues in Room #30. See you here!

#### WELCOME BRAD KIRKSEY!

Effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, Brad Kirksey has joined as the lead for a new cooperative



youth ministry. St. Andrew's UMC will be working with Sedgefield, Southpark, and Woodlawn Community

churches for a shared youth ministry program. Our introductory meeting with Brad was August 6th and we had approximately 35 youth plus parents and volunteers present. Fall kick-off will be Sunday, September 17th, and Brad will be with us in worship that morning. Also, Brad and Kyle Thompson, Senior Pastor at Southpark, are launching a fantasy football league for the youth and volunteers. Reach out to Katie Patton or Pastor Sherri for more information!

#### **BRADLEY'S BIO**

"Bradley came here from Florida in January of 2022. After going to the University of Central Florida (go Knights) and Reformed Theological Seminary, Bradley has been working in college and youth ministry since 2019. If he's not at church, you can find him teaching chess after school, at a trivia night, or pretending to be outdoorsy."

# LHCC VOLUNTEER KICKOFF

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH @5:45

Calling all new and returning volunteers! Come hear updates for the new school year and learn more about our Tuesday evening tutoring and enrichment program. Feel free to bring a friend!

Reach out to meghan@lhcclt.org with any questions! ST. ANDREWS METHODIST CHURCH





COMMUNION Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 a.m. in Room #18. Did you know that St. Andrew's is

now a Lighthouse Congregation? Lighthouse Congregations have committed to remain in the UMC and to be a place of welcome and rest for those who have experienced the closure or disaffiliation of their home church. One of our vows as a Lighthouse Congregation is to offer the sacrament of communion monthly. On September 10th, the Lord's Table will be set during our small group discipleship hour. following worship. Come for a moment, or stay for the hour; bring yourself, bring a friend, bring your small group. All are welcome at the table!

**CONDOLENCES TO** David Johnson and family on the death of his brother Jim Johnson on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.

# TRANSFORMATION

UPDATE Do you have questions about the Transformation Journey? Plan to attend one of two upcoming Town Hall meetings to hear more about the MAP (Ministry Action Plan) for St. Andrew's received from the TJ Discovery Team. Meetings will be on September 10th at 12:15 p.m. and September 17th at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall (#2). There will be a time at both meetings for Q&A. Both meetings will be recorded and made available online for those who cannot attend in person. If you cannot attend in person and would like to submit a question, please call or email the church office at 704-553-1327 or

### churchoffice@standrewsumc.com

On Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, we will welcome our District Superintendent Dan Pezet. Dan will lead us in worship and there will be a called Charge Conference at 11:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary to consider the plan's recommendations. Following the Charge Conference there will be a covered-dish luncheon. Bring your favorite dish to share!



SWINGING SAINTS LEARN TO SQUARE DANCE!!! Starting on September 11<sup>th</sup> Open House Free 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. every Monday in Fellowship Hall (#2). \$5.00 weekly to continue. Instructor/Caller: Randy Page Questions? Please contact Glenda Patton: 704-650-3138.

#### 10 Griselda Aguirre

- 10 Eric Bryant
- 10 Steve Gibson
- 10 Rosemary Gloege
- 10 Carolyn Kier
- 10 Megan Wagner
- 12 Josh Patton
- 14 Edna Senger
- 14 Diane Slade
- 15 Kevin Gonzalez
- 15 Mary Suggs
- 16 Abbey Buzzard
- 16 Hannah Buzzard

#### WORSHIP SERVICE September 10, 2023

9:15 a.m. Worship Thru Prayer Service #29

> 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

"God Stories" Acts 8:26-31

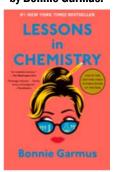
11:11 a.m. Small Group Gatherings

#### REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

#### BOOK CLUB Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. Gail Lewyn's home.

3117 Deep Meadow Ln. Charlotte, NC 28210 "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus.



All are welcome and invite a friend.



89+ BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS. Please shower Jack Muntz, (Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>), Millie Shannon (Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>), and Edna Senger (Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>) with cards on their special day.

Cards may be sent to: Jack Muntz 5800 Old Providence Rd. Apt. 5208 Charlotte, NC 28226-5894

Millie Shannon 12800 Spruce Tree Way #424 Raleigh, NC 27614

Edna Senger Braemar Living 1529 N. Ocean Ave. Medford, NY 11763



IF YOU HAVE A COLLEGE STUDENT that is now back at

school, we would love to have their mailing address. Please send the address to

**childrensministry@standrewsumc.com.** We would like to be able to communicate with them throughout the school year.



CARD MAKING ACTIVITY: **CHRISTMAS CARDS.** Join us every Wednesday now through October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. to make cards in the Commons Room #1. It's a lot of fun and fellowship. Classes are in English and Spanish and will run for 10 weeks. If you wish to attend, please add your name to the sign-up list outside Pastor David's office, Room #16, so enough materials will be on hand. The cost for this series of card-making is \$25.00 per person to cover the cost of materials. Children who attend will make different cards than the adults and must be 10 years or older. Cost per child is \$10.00 for this series.







## **PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS**



LABOR DAY WEEKEND.













