



MAY 2018

# The CHATTER

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church 1901 Archdale Drive Charlotte, NC 28210

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**Follow Jesus.  
Make  
Disciples.  
Transform  
the World.**

**YOUTH**

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**PARENT**

*Celebration*

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**FUNDRAISER**

**SUNDAY, MAY 6TH**

Serving at 11:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
In the Family Life Center.

Deadline for sign-up is April 29th.

This year's youth fundraiser will be a little different! Instead of having the meal on Mother's Day, we will be having the meal the Sunday before and will be celebrating both Mothers and Fathers! This change is to allow our youth to spend Mother's Day with their own mothers and not all day at the church!

Our menu will consist of: *Grilled chicken, parmesan encrusted red-skinned potatoes, green beans, yeast rolls, and great desserts.*

Enjoying this delicious meal will help our amazing youth and their adult volunteers serve God during their mission trips. As always, if you cannot make the fundraiser, you are welcome to give a donation to youth missions anyway!

**The mission trip is from Sunday, June 19th, through Saturday, June 23rd.  
Meal sign-up sheets may be found in the Narthex and Family Life Center.**

## CHURCH NEWS



### OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE!

During the Administrative Council Meeting in March, we discussed the need to be *prudent in leaving doors unlocked* during the Worship Services that take place each Sunday. Whereas a top priority for St. Andrew's is to be welcoming and open to the congregation and to any guests that would like to join us, we still need to be mindful of which doors remain unlocked when the service may be concentrated in one end of our facility or another. Tom Patton has agreed to coordinate an ad hoc committee to study how other churches may be addressing their concerns and develop a recommendation to provide to the Administrative Council in the coming months. If you would like to be a part of the dialog and consider how best to balance our missional priority to be a welcoming and inviting light in our community while being prudent in our greeting and safety concerns, please let Tom Patton at [tompattont@earthlink.net](mailto:tompattont@earthlink.net) or myself know by Sunday April 29th to include you in the kick off meeting. We look forward to your participation!

David Lisk, Sr.  
Administrative Council Chair  
[wish2bam@aol.com](mailto:wish2bam@aol.com)

### MAKE YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS MORE EFFECTIVE: OVERCOMING THE CURSE OF KNOWLEDGE

Once you learn something you lose the ability to remember what it was like not to know it. This is what Harvard psychologist Steven Pinker refers to as "the curse of knowledge." When you suffer from the Curse of Knowledge you assume that other people know the things that you do, and this causes you to believe that people understand you a lot better than they really do. And when the audience doesn't understand, they disregard you and your message.

This Curse can affect anyone who creates any kind of message – teaching, speaking or writing. Remember that you are a 10 on the scale of knowledge about your event or topic. You think you've explained it as a 6 or 7. But you need to make it a TWO if you want people to understand.

So what do we need to do if we really want others to donate to our cause, participate in our event, or sign up in advance so we can plan better? Thwart the curse by translating into concrete language & stories. The goal is not to make it longer-- The goal is to make it concise. Ask someone to review it before you submit it. If they can explain it back to you, your message will be effective. Let's work with an example so you can visualize what to do to thwart the Curse.

Baseline: 'Plan it they will come' could use your help. Please call to volunteer.

Better: 'Plan it they will come' is a fabulous opportunity to share the love of God with the children of our neighborhood. We need 2 to 4 adults every Sunday through the summer to help with the kids. Call Betty at X

Even Better: As they become young adults, kids remember the adults who spent time with them reading, doing crafts, helping them learn through Bible stories. Can you help on 1 Sunday morning to build memories with our kids? Use the sign up sheet in Narthex to get involved with 'Plan it they will come' or call Betty at X.



### READ A GOOD BOOK LATELY? HOW ABOUT ONE THAT HAS INFLUENCED YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE AND WALK WITH JESUS?

There is a reading program that will help you do these things. Children, youth, women, and men can all participate in the United Methodist Women's reading program! The UMW reading program has readers explore *Response* and *New World Outlook* magazines, and books in five different areas: Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, and Spiritual Growth. Choose and follow one of the four plans: keep a log of what you read, submit your log to Jennifer Bryant by December 31, 2018, and you will receive a certificate of completion. The report forms, reading plans, magazines, and qualified books are located on the UMW bookshelf just inside the church's library door (Room #18) on your right side. Feel free to check out the books and take a magazine, read it, then bring it back for others to enjoy. If you have a child who is not reading yet, they can earn a certificate too. Just check out the children's books, read them to your child, read articles yourself and talk with them about them, log what was read to them, and submit it to Jennifer Bryant. To learn more and/or download a Report Form visit:

[www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram](http://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram). If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jennifer Bryant: [missjen\\_jen@hotmail.com](mailto:missjen_jen@hotmail.com)

## CHILDREN'S NEWS

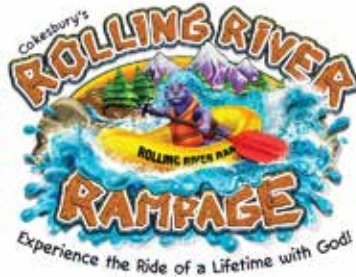


If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the announcements for Children's Ministry, please contact Sherry Jackson at ChildrensMinistry@standrewsumc.com or 704-553-1327, Ext 103.



### K.I.C.K (Kids Into Christ's Kingdom).

Come join us at 5:45 p.m. for the Wednesday meal, 6:15 p.m. for choir, and 6:45 p.m. for the K.I.C.K program! We have fun while learning through play, crafts, movie clips, and share time. Come and bring a friend!



### JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER CONNECTION TIME!

**June 26th-29th from 5:45 to 8:30 p.m. For Kids in Kindergarten – 5th Grade**

Registrations are available outside the Children's Ministry office room # or online at standrewsumc.com. Come and bring a friend!

### SUMMER CONNECTION (FORMERLY VBS) NEEDS YOU!

Openings are available in our small groups (leading children to and from each activity), welcome and sign in table, helpers in the craft room, dinner prep/clean up, hall monitors, play games, be a scientist, prep meals, prep snacks, run sound, give directions, act, clean up, organize, prep materials, help with mailings, make phone calls, serve meals, wipe tables, and many many more things! There is a place for you! We would love to have you join us in our adventure to experience the ride of a lifetime with God! Please contact Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com for more information about how you can join in and help on our adventure!



**SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR SUMMER CONNECTION.** There are several things we need to help make our children's Summer Connection program (formerly VBS) fun and exciting for everyone. If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them to the Children's Ministry office or in the bins in the Narthex. We will update our supply list periodically so keep checking in!

- Artificial Christmas Trees (please label with your name)
- Blue plastic table cloth (rolls or individual packs)
- Rolls of brown craft paper
- Boat paddles
- Sternos
- Small River Rocks
- 4 Laundry Baskets
- Pool noodles
- Medium size river rocks
- Small wading pool



**ST. ANDREW'S UMC** loves to give the children's Sunday school teachers a well-deserved vacation. This summer, we would love to allow our teachers to take some time over and we would love to have you come share your many gifts and talents with our young people. If you can give of your time 1-2 Sundays (or more), please contact Sherry Jackson. This is a great opportunity to get to know some of our great families and share Christ with them.



### CELEBRATE PENTECOST WITH US AT ST. ANDREW'S UMC.

Sunday, May 20th, is PENTECOST and we would like to have a celebration for the birthday of the church! Would you be willing to make a cake decorated for the month of your birthday? We need 12 bakers to help us out. For example, my birthday is in April, I would bake a cake with raindrops because April showers bring May flowers. Someone in May could make a flower cake...etc. Please contact Sherry Jackson if you are able to help bake a cake for us!



## BULLETIN BOARD



Julie Thomas

### JULIE THOMAS

**SCHOLARSHIP** This merit scholarship is awarded based on academic achievement and participation in various activities, both in school or outside of school and here at St. Andrew's. All high school seniors at St. Andrew's who have been accepted into an accredited college or university are eligible to apply. Applications are available in the church office or in the box outside Kevin Ward's office located in the Commons Room hallway. If you have questions, please call Dave Johnson at 704-651-8256.

**Application deadline is May 1st.**



Gayle Smith

### FAREWELL INVITATION!

There will be a reception for Gayle Smith in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, April 29th, starting at 9:45 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Please come by for refreshments and to wish Gayle good luck in her new endeavors.



### HISPANIC/LATINO FAMILIES

If you know any Hispanic/Latino families please, refer them to Pastor David Ortigoza. Let's reach out to these families and make disciples for Jesus Christ together. Keep them in your prayers and invite them to be a part of our St. Andrew's UMC family. Pastor David can be reached at dortigoza@wnccumc.net or 704-553-1327, ext. 107.

### SENIOR ADULTS PROGRAM



#### HARVESTERS

will meet on Thursday, May 3rd, at 10:30 a.m. in the Commons Room (#1) with lunch to follow in the Family Life Center (#23). We will have a guest speaker during this meeting. Please remember to bring in donations of non-parishable food/canned goods for Loaves and Fishes. We look forward to seeing you.

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S CIRCLES



**MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE** will meet on Tuesday, May 1st, at noon in the Commons Room (#1).

**SUSANNA CIRCLE** Sunday, May 6th, at 12:30 p.m. in Room (#18).

**RUTH CIRCLE MEETING** Tuesday, May 8th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commons Room (#1).



**PRESSURE WASHER NEEDED.** The picnic tables on the playground need to be washed each May and September of the year. If you have a pressure washer and would like to offer your service twice a year, please talk with Amanda Newhouse or Gina Collard in the Preschool at 704-553-7896.

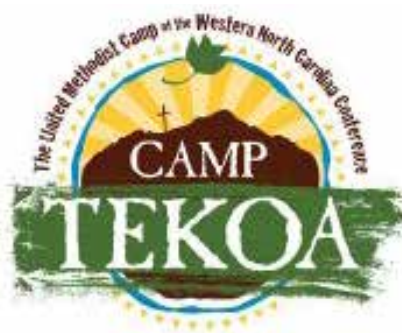


**OUR UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** are collecting Country Time Lemonade in 5 lb. 2.5 oz. size. These are used once a month when our United Methodist Women go to Urban Ministries to share a cup of lemonade and a smile. Help support our women with this ministry area. A collection bin is located in the Narthex.

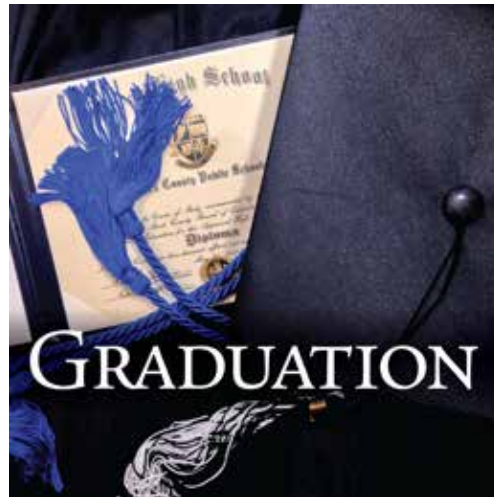
## YOUTH NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the Youth announcements please contact Kevin Ward, Director of Family Ministries [kjw2517@gmail.com](mailto:kjw2517@gmail.com) or 704-553-1327, ext. 105.



**LABOR DAY RETREAT - CAMP TEKOA PLANNING COMMITTEE.** We are trying to reform a Camp Tekoa planning committee. However, the committee will have a new focus and purpose. If you are interested in helping develop a theme, worship services, and devotion times to make our annual Labor Day Retreat have more of a discipleship focus, please contact Kevin Ward at [kjw2517@gmail.com](mailto:kjw2517@gmail.com) or 704-650-9725.



### GRADUATE SUNDAY.

Sunday, June 3rd, will be our celebration of graduates, please contact Kevin Ward at [kjw2517@gmail.com](mailto:kjw2517@gmail.com) if you are a high school or college graduate who would like to be recognized on June 3rd!



## MAY BIRTHDAYS

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

- Jeremiah 29:11



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| 2 Mike Crosby      | 9 Jimmy Pendleton  | 20 Jonathan Pool       |
| 2 Deborah Hemenway | 9 Bristol White    | 22 Linda Thompson      |
| 3 Shirley Clontz   | 10 Kevin Castillo  | 23 Julie Weeks         |
| 3 Vicki Robinson   | 10 Ayla Valenzuela | 24 Ryan Pendleton      |
| 5 Pat Madar        | 10 Peggy Wiker     | 24 Kathy Yokeley       |
| 6 Bola Ogundipe    | 11 Austin Sharpe   | 26 Pam Chandler        |
| 7 Reed Battin      | 11 Ryan Tita       | 26 Norma Dowless       |
| 7 Haley Boone      | 12 Larry Collins   | 26 Barbara Woodruff    |
| 7 Hannah Connell   | 12 David Marshall  | 27 Daisy Thompson      |
| 7 Dennis Evans     | 12 Mary Anne Mills | 28 Doug Wolfe          |
| 7 Martha Little    | 12 Jim Walkup      | 29 Bailey Sanford      |
| 7 Joyce Middleton  | 13 Susan Wiker     | 30 Ulrich Gloege       |
| 7 William Schrader | 15 Margeri Brown   | 30 Carrie Beth Sanford |
| 7 Rhett Taber      | 15 Melanie Francis | 30 Tom Shepherd        |
| 7 Will Yokeley     | 18 Nathan Carden   | 31 Mary Morris         |
| 9 Joslyn McLaurin  | 20 Gene Henney     | 31 Jonathan Poteat     |



## STAYING IN TOUCH

### PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

**For our members:** Scott Poteat, Pat Smathers, Jackie Auville, Del Smith, Peter Gamwell, Ginny Gridale, Tom Aucoin, Bee Jones, Carol Hudgins, Phyllis Cole, Jonathan Bickett, Bill Scroggs, Jay Kizer, Mary Morris, and Caroline Crabtree.

**Condolences** to the families of Beverly Brown on the death of her husband, Rev. Sam Brown on Friday, March 9th; former pastor of St. Andrew's the Rev. George Robinson who passed on March 12th; Trula Booth on her death on March 23rd; the passing of Vernon Buffalo on March 23rd; Charles Cassady who passed on April 3rd; and Bob Neely, Jr. who died on April 8th.

**Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally:** Anne Friese, Bonnie White, Bill and GERALYN Ferrell (cell phone: 704-307-6833), Ruth Drum, Mabel Chapman, Frank and Shirley Clontz, and Nell Slade.

**Pray for our friends and relatives:** Tangy Owens, cousin of Freida Scroggs; Mattie Thomas, sister of Jean Wissinger; Rob Molazo, St. Andrew's neighbor; Patrick Smith, brother of Rosemary Gloege; Bee Jones' daughter, Peggy Netherton; Milly Ash's cousins, Jean and Alan Rose; Sue Bullock's son, Phil Edwards; Leslie Southerland; and Betty Reynolds' son-in-law Babak Emadi.

### NEW ADDRESS

Edna Senger  
139 Rosemont Ave.  
Farmington, NY 11738

704-930-9768

### 2018 Schedule

#### Family Life Center Service Coffee

**May 6** Liz Snyder  
**May 13** Penny Bryant  
**May 20** Penny Bryant  
**May 27** Penny Bryant

#### Recycle Pickup

**May 1st - 16th**  
C. J. and Milly Ash  
**May 17th - 31st**  
Mark and Melanie Francis

#### Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

**May** Gene Hennecy

#### Usher Schedule

**May Team Leader** Larry Wolfe  
Mark Hemenway  
Davy Lisk  
Bob Miller  
Harvey Whichard  
Jim Walkup (Alternate)



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**NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE - MAY 17TH AT NOON**

**SUNDAY BULLETIN AND THURSDAY EMAIL DEADLINE EVERY TUESDAY AT NOON**

Please send your Chatter/Bulletin information, inserts, etc. to: [churchchatter@standrewsumc.com](mailto:churchchatter@standrewsumc.com)