

CHURCH NEWS



CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

Please join us on Sunday, December 9th, at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for our annual Christmas cantata. This year's program is called, "Jesus, the Light of the World", and will include great music from a number of styles. Bring your family and friends as we welcome the birth of our Savior! Please contact Sara Terrell at churchmusic@standrewsumc.com.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S CIRCLE SUSANNA CIRCLE Sunday, December 2nd, at 12:30 p.m. in Room #18.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, December 11th, at noon for lunch at Plantation Estates. Hosted by Shirley Tripp and Linda Collins. For more information, contact Shirley Tripp at 980-339-7691 or Carole Greene at 704-554-0977.

RUTH CIRCLE CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON Tuesday, December 11th, from 9:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (#2).

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. Containers may be left on the counter in the Archdale Kithchen labeled for UMW/Urban Ministries.



SENIOR ADULTS PROGRAM



HARVESTERS. On Thursday, December 6th, Harvesters will meet in the Commons Room #1 at 10:30 a.m. Afterwards come enjoy a delicious meal in the Family Life Center. Invite a friend to join in the fun. Please remember to bring non-parishable food and grocery bags for Loaves and Fishes. They are currently in need of canned fruit, fruit juice, rice, and grocery bags. Thank you.



Our 15th season of Room In the Inn (Ministry for the Homeless) begins Thursday, December 6th. The sign-up board is available in the FLC and in the Narthex. We have been very blessed that the Lord

has brought this ministry to St. Andrew's for all of these years. There are many ways you can volunteer; and will find yourself blessed to have done so. Please review the sign-up board for details as to the different areas where help is needed.

We assemble toiletry bags to leave on each Neighbor's cot with donations of the following items currently needed: *Small (travel size) deodorants, one-gallon zip-lock bags, tooth paste, and tooth brushes.*

Hebrews 13:2 says: "Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it." Your prayerful consideration to serve in this ministry is greatly appreciated.

PRESCHOOL SOUP FUNDRAISER. Please stop by and purchase a container of vegetable beef soup on December 9th after each service in the hallway outside the Family Life Center or in the Narthex. Containers of this delicious soup are \$8.00 each. Proceeds will go towards our Preschool. Mark your calendar for these additional sale dates: January 13th, February 10th, and March 10th.



BULLETIN BOARD



CAROL SING

Wednesday, December 5th Following the 5:45 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal. Get in the Christmas spirit with carols, cookies and cider! Come join us after dinner on December 5th to sing Christmas carols and enjoy Christmas cookies provided by the chancel choir and warm apple cider. We'll start singing as soon as we finish our meal, so get your favorite carol picked out, put on your jingle bells and bring a friend along for the fun!



ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS CARDS.

The Mission Committee is providing our church members the opportunity to give a gift of service this Christmas. Alternative Christmas cards are given to honor or in memory of someone special. Donations support an organization within the church or the community. Be on the lookout for card in the Narthax.



UMW SUSANNA CIRCLE WILL BE HOSTING A GIFT WRAP FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT BRIGHT BLESSINGS. Let the Susanna Circle do your gift wrapping for you. Bring your Christmas presents to the Library (Room #18) on the Emerywood wing) on December 16th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Your gifts will be wrapped while you are in worship and ready for pick-up afterwards. Suggested pricing ranges from \$1.00 to \$10.00, based on size. Thank you for your support.



CROSS-CULTURAL WORSHIP

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

This is not only for Hispanic/Latino Families! Everyone is welcome to worship here -Pastor David is multi-lingual. If you attend, you will understand and have a wonderful experience. Please join us!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS WITH OUR COMMUNITY.

NOTE: FINAL MEAL FOR WINTER/FALL SEASON IS DECEMBER 5TH RESUMING ON JANUARY 9TH, 2019. Wednesday, December 5th,

Menu: Frito Pie, Cornbread, Salad with Ranch Dressing, and Strawberry Shortcake Fluff for dessert. Reservations are needed. To reserve your meal, sign-up sheets are located on tables in the Narthex and in the Family Life Center or call the church office at 704-553-1327, ext. 100. Suggested prices are: \$7 for adults age 12 and older, \$5 for children, and \$25 max for families. If you are unable to contribute, please give of yourself through service. Scholarship meals are available as well just contact a staff member. We welcome persons to help set up and clean up. To know more, email Kevin Ward at kjw2517@gmail.com.



DO YOU SHOP AT HARRIS TEETER AND HAVE A VIC CARD?

If you do, it's time again to link your VIC card to a specific school so it can receive a percentage of Harris Teeter items you have purchased during this upcoming year. (You will need to re-link your card every August.)

Please tell your cashier the next time you are checking out to link your card to one or both of these schools in our church neighborhood. The cashier can do this on-the-spot. It needs to be linked only once to be in Harris Teeter's system for the entire school year. **St. Andrew's Preschool code is 3232; Montclair Elementary school code is 1729.**

Let's raise those participant and earnings numbers at these schools! Thank you for helping. Questions? Call the Preschool at 704-553-7896.



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.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the Youth, Adult, and Mission Ministries announcements please contact Kevin Ward, Director of Family Ministries kjw2517@gmail.com or 704-553-1327, ext. 105.



SUNDAY MORNING CONNECTIONS
We are always looking for loving and caring adults who will help teach or substitute teach Sunday School classes for the children. You can teach once a month, two Sundays a month or year long! Please contact Sherry Jackson if you would like more information about our Sunday morning connections time.



K.I.C.K. EXPRESSIONS (KIDS INTO CHRIST'S KINGDOM)

For Kids in Kindergarten—Grade 5

All kids are invited to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:30p.m.

Our time together will include music, scripture, games, and activities and learning different ways we can worship. December 5th final session; resumes January 9, 2019.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, AT 4:00 P.M.

Christmas Tree Lighting on the church parking lot.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RETURN YOUR WRAPPED ANGEL TREE GIFTS ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

The Youth Trip to McAdenville will meet at the church at 4:30 p.m. to carpool to McAdenville. The trip last around 3 to 4 hours. Please eat dinner before coming. This event is for the whole family. **We are in need of drivers.** Please contact Kevin Ward at kjw2517@gmail.com if you have any questions.



WEDNESDAY YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

6TH - 12TH GRADES. Come for fun, fellowship, and a chance to explore the Bible! This is a great mid-week break from school work! Class will be held on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Room #21. Class facilitator: Mark Francis. December 5th final session; resumes January 9, 2019.

BIRTHDAYS



December BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Carol Hudgins | 11 Gail Thorne | 26 Kim Pridgeon |
| 1 Glenda Lawson-Treadway | 11 Cassidy Wolf | 27 Christine Jelley |
| 3 Robin Rea | 12 Richard Council | 27 Chris Brown, Jr. |
| 4 Gilly Shepherd | 13 Libby Patton | 27 Michael Doriani |
| 4 Corey Joines | 15 Susan Saunders | 27 Jacob Plaisted |
| 4 Yamilet Villatoro | 17 Scot Hughes | 28 Jane Battin |
| 5 James Pendleton | 19 Martha Ann Harris | 28 Carol Kingsmore |
| 5 David Patton | 19 Russ Thorne | 29 Teresa Taber |
| 6 Glenda Patton | 19 Brenda Turbyfill | 29 Alex Kendall, Jr. |
| 6 Jim Harris | 20 Joan Hileman | 30 Cember Carella |
| 7 Dianne Kindlick | 21 Larry Carella | 30 Herb Johnson |
| 7 Jonathan Marshall | 21 Christopher Maher | 31 Ann Whichard |
| 7 Tammy Tokarz | 22 Suzette Grist | 31 Susan Maxson |
| 9 Nicole Campbell | 22 Evelyn Farrar | |
| 9 Jacob Davis | 22 Si Davis | |
| 11 Ginny Grisdale | 25 Miguel Pivaral | |

BULLETIN BOARD



LOAVES AND FISHES

is in need of the following items: canned fruit, fruit juice, rice, and grocery bags. Your generous donates may be dropped off in the marked grocery cart located in the Narthex.



MISSION TRIP TO BRAZIL. Plans are under way for a possible mission trip to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Liz Snyder (a member of our church) is working with Myers Park United Methodist Church to explore such a trip in the spring or early summer of 2019. Myers Park UMC has hosted numerous trips to Brazil over the past decade, working with a facility there that houses and cares for the elderly and disabled. This mission work in Brazil involves minor repairs/cleaning, but most of the time is spent with the residents. The trip would be for at least 10 days (possibly two weeks). Most meals would be provided at the facility and there is a small hotel nearby at which the team stays. The biggest expense of the trip would be airfare. The total cost of the trip would be \$2,500-\$3,000, similar to the cost of most international mission trips. If anyone is interested in learning more about the mission trip or if you know someone who might be interested, please contact Liz Snyder for more details at 704-905-1078.



STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

For our members: Abbey Buzzard, Garret Webster and family; Charlene Simpson; Shanieka Brown; Austin Brown and Amanda Martin; Dan Jones, Kevin Ward, Christine Jelley, Traveonia James, Phyllis Cole, Scott Poteat, Pat Smathers, Del Smith, Peter Gamwell, Tom Aucoin, Bee Jones, Carol Hudgins, Jonathan Bickett, Jay Kizer, and Caroline Crabtree.

Condolences to the family of Mary Morris on her death on Friday, October 26th.

Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally: Anne Friese, Bonnie White, Frank and Shirley Clontz, and Nell Slade.

Pray for our friends and relatives: Jill Dinwiddie, Louise Hargadon's step-mother; Ray McManus, brother of Jean Wissinger; Rosemary Young; Rosada Lackey's granddaughter, Heather; Chris Picha, Lynda Adair, daughter of Janey Disher; Eric Bryant's mother, Carol Bryant; Sarah Cope, niece of Phyllis Lazenby; Tamiah Exum, friend of Traveonia James; John and Karen Patrick's brother-in-law, Larry Wood; Dot Kille's great-grandson, Christopher Lindler; Matt Hardy, Rev. Lee Williams, Bee Jones's grandson, Scott Arndt; daughter-in-law's brother; Betty Gambell's daughter, Cheryl Gambell; Wanda Joines, mother-in-law of Sara Bame Joines; Rob Molazo, Patrick Smith, brother of Rosemary Gloege; Bee Jones' daughter, Laura Arndt; Milly Ash's sister-in-law, Shirley Ash; Sue Bullock's son, Phil Edwards; Leslie Southerland; and Betty Reynolds' son-in-law Babak Emadi.

2018 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

December 2	Liz Snyder
December 9	Penny Bryant
December 16	Penny Bryant
December 23	Penny Bryant
December 30	Penny Bryant

Recycle Pickup

December George and Jolene White

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

December To Be Announced.

Usher Schedule

December Team Leader	Fred Boger Cember Carella Larry Carella Larry Collins Linda Collins George White
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NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE - DECEMBER 13TH AT NOON

SUNDAY BULLETIN AND THURSDAY EMAIL DEADLINE EVERY TUESDAY AT NOON

Please send your Chatter/Bulletin information, inserts, etc. to: churchchatter@standrewsumc.com