



St. Andrew's
United Methodist Church
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THE CHATTER

Come Worship
with us this
Christmas.

Everyone is welcome
to join us for all
activities!

Advent: St. Andrew's Church Welcomes you!

Bring your family and friends!

December 6th

4:00 p.m.

Community Christmas Tree Lighting with live music including a choir from Montclair Elementary School, inflatables, crafts, food truck, cookies, and hot chocolate. Come hear the St. Andrew's Ringers, Chancel Choir, and join in the Sing-a-long. Fun for everyone!

December 13th

4:00 p.m.

Christmas Cantata "God Under Wraps". The coming of the Christ Child revealed to us the nature of God.

"The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.....Jesus!" John 1:14

December 17th and 18th

9:30 a.m.

Preschool Christmas Program in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited.

December 18th

5:30 p.m.

Christmas Caroling in the neighborhood.

December 24th

4:00 p.m.

Los Posados - Christmas Eve Worship Service

7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service

December 27th

9:00 a.m. **Modern Worship Service**, Family Life Center #23

11:15 p.m. **Traditional Worship Service**, Sanctuary

Want to know more about any of these events?

Contact the church office at 704-553-1327

or churchoffice@standrewsumc.com for more information.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 a.m. AND 11:15 a.m.



From the *Trustees*

BEING PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY

With the church shooting in Charleston, the Administrative Council discussed our church's preparedness for emergency situations. We decided that we would like to pull together a broad group of church members to strengthen our church's plans and support in respond to all types of emergency situations. This group will compare our current policies and practices around emergency to the guidelines provided by FEMA and Church Mutual, our insurance company, to redevelop a strong response plan for multiple emergency situations. We will need people who are knowledgeable in emergency response, but we also need a diverse group of members who help lead in situations of ministry and worship while in our church building or in mission away from the building in order to develop robust plans for most situations.

We welcome all interested in this topic to help. We will need broad participation in order to be able to talk about all the types of situations that we have at St. Andrew's. Some examples of volunteers needed would be leaders for small groups for study or mission; or leader of children and youth events; or ushers; or church members who have a background in emergency response, police, fire, insurance or emergency preparedness from their work. We would like to collect interest in supporting this ad-hoc committee from now until January 16, 2016. This group will work on new policies and plans to provide a proposal back to the Administrative Council by Fall 2016. Please contact Thomas Pool at 704-780-4230 if interested in serving on this important committee.



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. Cards will be available in the Narthex starting Sunday, November 29.

ROOM IN THE INN

Our 12th season of Room In The Inn Ministry for the Homeless begins December 3rd. The sign-up board is available in the Family Life Center for the 9:00 a.m. service and in the Narthex for the 11:15 a.m. service. Also, we will again on-line sign ups. 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 and/or online signs (soon to come) for details as to the different areas where help is needed.

We assemble toiletry bags to leave on each Neighbor's cot. We need the following:

- * **White tube type socks**
- * **Small (travel size) deodorants**
- * **One gallon zip-lock bags**

Hebrews 13:2 says: *"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it."*



Your prayerful consideration to serve in this ministry is greatly appreciated.

OUR UNITED METHODIST WOMEN are collecting Country Time Lemonade in the 5lb. 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.



**FRESH CUT FRASER FIR TREES
FROM THE N.C. MOUNTAINS**



**2015 ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS TREE SALE
ST. ANDREW'S UNITED
METHODIST MEN**

**Friday, November 27
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, November 28
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Friday, December 4, 11, and 18
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, December 5, 12, and 19
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

You can purchase a tree through the church office from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on Friday
Prices advertised soon.

Discounts will apply if pre-ordered.

For more Information, contact the Church Office at 704-553-1327.

HARVESTERS' next meeting is on December 3rd at 10:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1. Harvesters' meet the first Thursday each month.

SUSANNA CIRCLE MEETING December 6th at 12:30 p.m. in Room #1.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE will meet at the church on December 8th at noon in the Commons Room #1.

RUTH CIRCLE will meet at the church on December 8th in the Fellowship Hall #2 for their Christmas Covered Dish Luncheon at 11:00 a.m..

THE MODERN SERVICE is looking for a few people who would be willing to help with the service once a month. The needs are for:

- 1. Coffee Greeter** - This person would be responsible for arriving by 8:30 a.m. and making coffee and setting up the coffee station.
- 2. Multi Media Production** - This person would set up the media for the screen. It is very easy and takes about 10 minutes to do.

Please call 704-553-1327, ext. 104, or email Gayle Smith at gsmith@standrewsumc.com.



**CLASSES BEGINNING ON
JANUARY 11 AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL #2.**

You are invited to join us for an hour and a half, each week of this nine-week course. In those nine lessons, you'll learn how to

conquer debt, build wealth, find bargains, invest for the future, give like never before, and much more! This information will change your life! FPU is a biblically-based curriculum that teaches people how to handle money God's way. Want to know more? Please email Karla Knotts at Karlahk@knottsdevelopment.net or sign up in the Narthex. We'll contact you soon.

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 part of our St. Andrew's family. David can be reached at 704-553-1327 or dortigoza@wnccumc.net.

STAYING IN TOUCH

THANK YOU

I want to thank my church family for the beautiful cards, food, phone calls, and visits. All were so appreciated, especially since you had just done the above listed a few months earlier. I am so grateful and am so blessed by my church family.

Blessings to each of you,
Jean Hunter

PRAYERS FOR...

Our members: Charles Cassady, Tripp Amon, Harvey Whichard, Sheryl Furr, Gladys Ott, Kitty D'Armond, Bill Ferrell, Maggie Patton, Jennifer Bryant, Jean Hunter, Anne Lisk, Juli Treadway-Lawson, Bob Neely, and Inez Weston.

Condolences to: Larry Morris and family on the death of his mother.

Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally: Edna Senger, Ruth Drum, Hilda Bookout, Pearl Poole, Margaret Mayo, Mabel Chapman, Frank & Shirley Clontz, Juanita Bailey, Anne Friese, Nell Slade, and Evelyn Saunders.

Pray for our friends and relatives: Robert Mills, brother of Richard Mills; Diane J. Jones; Reverend Henry Justice and Reverend Bob Ralls former pastors of St. Andrew's UMC; Madison Bovina, great-grand daughter of Edna Senger; Emily Martin Stevenson's father Don Martin; Connie Austin, friend of Hazel Huss; and Chase Harns.

CHILDREN'S NEWS



Wanted: Legos

If you have any legos you would like to donate, we are collecting them to use during our Wednesday night KICK programs. If you happen to see any at a yard sale, we would love for you to purchase them for us to use. If you would like to join us as we use Legos as a part of our Bible Study, please see Sherry Jackson for more info on the dates!



K.I.C.K Wednesday Nights

We are starting with some new program ideas in January with our K.I.C.K program. We are going to use Legos to learn the Biblical lessons. If you would like to join us and help build and discover the Bible with Legos, please join us at 6:30 as a part of the Wednesday night fellowship.



Believe it or not, it's almost time to start planning Vacation Bible School! We will have a meeting in January to begin choosing the curriculum and making plans. If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact Sherry Jackson at ChildrensMinistry@standrewsumc.com.



Do you like a good treasure hunt? We are planning an Epiphany Treasure Hunt for January 13th with the children. This will be done during the regular K.I.C.K meeting on Wednesday evening. Come join us as we use clues to figure out where we need to travel and where the journey takes us. We would love to have several adults come and help be a part of our Treasure Stops. Please see Sherry Jackson to inquire to help serve or have you child participate.



Would you be interested in being a substitute teacher for our Children's Ministries on Sunday mornings? Every now and then we need an extra hand in a classroom and would love for you to come help out. We are establishing a list of names who the teachers can call upon when they are out of town or sick. If you believe you could help out sometimes, please let Sherry Jackson know by sending an email or calling.

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

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



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|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Carol Hudgins | 12 Richard Council | 27 Jacob Plaisted |
| 1 Glenda Lawson-Treadway | 13 Libby Patton | 28 Chris Colvin |
| 3 Robin Rea | 15 Susan Saunders | 28 Jane Battin |
| 3 Chris Horoschak | 17 Scot Hughes | 28 Carol Kingsmore |
| 4 Steve Sutherland | 18 Naida Sergei | 29 Teresa Taber |
| 4 Gilly Shepherd | 18 Doris Campbell | 29 Alex Kendall |
| 5 James Pendleton | 18 Gladys Ott | 30 Cember Carella |
| 5 David Patton | 19 Martha Ann Harris | 30 Herb Johnson |
| 6 Kitty D'Armond | 19 Russ Thorne | 31 Ann Whichard |
| 6 Glenda Patton | 19 Brenda Turbyfill | 31 Susan Maxson |
| 6 Jim Harris | 20 Joan Hileman | |
| 7 Dianne Kindlick | 21 Larry Carella | |
| 7 Jonathan Marshall | 21 Christopher Maher | |
| 7 Tammy Tokarz | 22 Suzette Grist | |
| 9 Nicole Campbell | 22 Evelyn Farrar | |
| 9 Jacob Davis | 22 Si Davis | |
| 11 Ginny Grisdale | 26 Kim Pridgeon | |
| 11 Gail Thorne | 27 Christine Jelley | |
| 11 Cassidy Wolf | 27 Michael Doriani | |



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NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE

December 10 at Noon

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Every Tuesday at Noon

Send your Chatter/Bulletin information,
inserts, etc. to:

churchchatter@standrewsumc.com



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2015 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

- December 6 Penny Bryant
- December 13 Liz Snyder
- December 20 Penny Bryant
- November 27 Liz Snyder

Recycle Pickup

December Jim and Pam Warren

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

December Jimmy Bradley

Usher Schedule

December Team Leader.....Jim Walkup
Sam Brown
Bob Miller
Bill Scroggs
Harvey Whichard

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