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# THE CHATTER

## HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **MARCH 29, PALM SUNDAY**

9:00 Modern Worship Service  
10:10 Sunday School  
11:15 Traditional Worship Service

### **APRIL 2, HOLY THURSDAY**

7:00 Holy Thursday Worship Service

### **APRIL 3, GOOD FRIDAY**

7:00 Good Friday Worship Service

### **APRIL 5, EASTER SUNDAY**

9:00 Modern Worship Service  
10:10 Sunday School  
10:10 Celebration Butterfly Release  
11:15 Traditional Worship Service

*“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord”*

*Mark 11:9, NRSV*



## HAPPY 75TH BIRTHDAY TO UMCOR

In 1940, the General Conference of the Methodist Church established the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief as a mission to work with displaced and destitute refugees of World War II. Over the last 75 years, the Methodist Church has evolved into the United Methodist Church and the Committee on Overseas Relief has evolved into the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), which works to strengthen and transform the most vulnerable people and communities that have been ravaged by war, other conflicts, and by natural disasters. None of the UMCOR projects are funded by apportioned gifts, but are supported through second mile giving of the United Methodist members. UMCOR is able to allocate 100 percent of the money raised for each designated project because administrative costs are covered by the annual "One Great Hour of Sharing." This offering opportunity will be March 15th this year. We urge you to give generously to this worthy cause.

Ruth and Hurst Mauldin  
Co-chairmen of Missions

### "ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING" SUNDAY, MARCH 15 OFFERING.

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### STAYING IN TOUCH

**PRAYERS FOR...** Bob Neely, Martha Ann Reynolds, and Inez Weston.

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

**Condolences to:** the family of David Beldrnof, a friend of Suzette Grist passed away at the age of 53 from cancer, and Bill Hunter and family for the loss of his step daughter.

**Pray for:** Gerald Grady and family; Jenny Harbin; Vivian Botsko and family; Len McDaniel, a friend of Martha Murray; Bradley and Rebekah Lisk's friend Melissa Stilwell; Glenda Lawson's sister Anna Ward; Lori Waugh Cruse's son; Mike Owens, brother of Bee Jones; Kendra Cussac's family; Jackie Auville's sister, Gay Huffman; Chase Harns; Velia Mazuera; and Jonathan Jordan, brother of Don Jordan.

**SUSANNA CIRCLE** meeting will be on March 1 at 12:30 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

**MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE** next meeting is March 3 at 12:00 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

**THE HARVESTERS.** The Harvesters will meet on Thursday, March 5, at 10:30 a.m. The program planned for this day is to be presented by Mr. Bill Matevie, a former chaplain with the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office. Hope to see you in March.

**HANNAH AND HER SISTERS** will meet on March 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1.

**RUTH CIRCLE** meeting will be on March 10 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commons Room #1.

**UNITED METHODIST MEN'S** next breakfast meeting is on February 22 at 7:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall #2.

**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.



# MISSIONS

## BE A FREEDOM SCHOOL - D.E.A.R. READER (DROP EVERYTHING AND READ)

As I sit here this icy morning drinking my cup of hot chocolate I am thinking about how lucky my children are to have a day off from school. They don't have to remember their multiplication facts, where energy comes from, European history or worry about homework tonight. They are outside riding their sled down the icy street with their friends without a care in the world (except who gets the next turn and how to get back up to the top). They will come inside in a little while to warm up and have a cup of hot chocolate too. They will tell me about all the fun they had and we will laugh with each other. My biggest worry is that they don't get hurt too bad and they stay bundled up.

This is not the case for all children who are out of school today.

Some families in our city, the neighbors not too far from us, will have a different day. They may be without power, even if Duke Energy has turned on the power for everyone else on their street. They may be hungry because there is no food in the pantry. They may not be able to tell funny stories of their adventures today because they had to stay inside while their parents went to work, they wouldn't get paid otherwise.

This is a year-round reality for many of the children that attend schools in our city.

As a mother, I don't have to worry about my children staying warm inside, how I'm going to feed them 3 meals a day, or how to make ends meet. Other mothers and fathers do, every day. I am able to focus on other things such as their education. For me, prioritizing things is simple compared to other parents'.

Thankfully, my church, St. Andrew's UMC, is part of a solution for these families. We help fund Freedom School. During the summer, children who are not reading on grade level are able to attend Freedom School. A warm breakfast and lunch, which is provided by the school, give children the nourishment needed to focus on their education. God's love is so apparent here making every child feel special and encouraged to learn to read. Wouldn't you like to be among those angels to help a child master and learn to read? Guess what, you can be one of those people, even if all the time you have is an hour lunch break you can be a DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) Reader. You can support this program financially as well through donations and attending fundraisers. .

Our first fundraiser for this wonderful program is going to be in March. We will have an authentic Mexican dinner prepared by some of the mothers' who children attend Freedom School. We will also have a talent show which is sure to be a treat.

Please prayerfully consider giving your time and money to support this wonderful cause.

# YOUTH UPDATE



## PARENT CLASSES WITH KEVIN

**March 22** – Navigating the Digital World: Understanding the dangers of social media usage, the impact social media usage has on a teen's faith, creating healthy boundaries for social media usage, and teaching ownership of responsibility for teens online/social media activity.

**April 26** – Dealing with Doubt: How do you respond when your children start questioning religion?

**May 31** – Sex: Broaching the topics of Sex, Sexuality, and unrealistic cultural standards with your teen.

## STAY CONNECTED TO THE YOUTH PROGRAM:

There are several ways to keep in touch with what is going on with the youth program at St. Andrew's UMC!

### Youth E-News

Email Kevin Ward at [youth@standrewsumc.com](mailto:youth@standrewsumc.com) to sign up for our youth e-news updates that usually come out once a week. This is the best way to keep up with what is going on with the youth program.

### Facebook

Like our page on Facebook to keep up with what is going on! <https://www.facebook.com/standrewsumcyouth>

### Twitter

Follow us on Twitter @StAndrewsUth

### Text Messaging Network

To join our text messaging network, follow the instructions below:

- 1 To join High School Youth, text @c6075b to (704) 601-7376. This group will have High School specific information.
- 2 To join Middle School Youth, text @eebc5 to (704) 601-7376. This group will have Middle School specific information.
- 3 To join All Youth, text @013755 to (704) 601-7376. This group will have information pertinent to all youth, volunteers, and Parents.
- 4 To join Parents, text @355330 to (704) 601-7376. This group will have information specific for youth parents (like when we left to come home for a retreat/ETA).
- 5 To join Youth Volunteers, text @5750e to (704) 601-7376. This group will have information for our Sunday night volunteers.





# CHILDREN'S NEWS



**KID'S MOVIE NIGHT**  
**FEBRUARY 27**  
**5:45-9:00 P.M.**

**CHILDREN, AGES 3-5TH GRADE** are welcome to come but must register by February 22, by e-mailing Sherry Jackson at [childrensministry@standrewsumc.com](mailto:childrensministry@standrewsumc.com). There is a \$5.00 fee per child. Dinner and a movie with popcorn as well as other fun activities will be provided. If you would like to volunteer to help with the food or be a chaperone, please contact Sherry Jackson.

**WE WILL BE HANDING OUT BIBLES** to our current third grade students on Sunday, March 1. If you have a student this age, please contact Sherry Jackson by February 22 to ensure that he or she receives their Bibles.



**CHRIST'S CHOSEN VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JULY 13-16**

Please mark your calendars for a great week of fun and celebrating the life of Christ. Join us for our planning meeting on Sunday, March 15, at 5:30 p.m. in Room #27 We will begin looking at ideas for the activities and determining some of the things that we need to begin creating.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

**SUNDAY, MARCH 29, AT 3:30 P.M.**



Join us for a time of fun and fellowship. We will have some activities for kids and their families, followed by the annual Egg Hunt in the Family Life Center and outside.



## Donations needed for our Easter Egg Hunt

We are in need of individually wrapped candies, stickers, tattoos & small toys for our Egg Hunt. Please bring all donated items to the box in the Narthex or the Family Life Center by March 22.

Volunteer time is needed for chaperones on February 27, candy stuffers for the egg hunt, and Vacation Bible School Helpers. If you can support any of these ministries, please let Sherry Jackson know.



## CELEBRATION BUTTERFLY RELEASE

We will have a program at 10:10 a.m. on Sunday, April 5, to release our butterflies in the world as we rejoice in our risen Savior. You can bring any butterflies you have ordered and release them with us if you would like to do it as a group.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



**Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 26**  
**or a Family Picnic on the Grounds.**  
**More info to come.**



**PROJECT AGAPE.** Please donate clean, gently used men's, women's, and children's clothes for Project Agape in Armenia. No used shoes. Donations may be placed in the ABC classroom #4. For more information, call Pat Smathers at 803-493-6408.

**IN HIS STEPS IS BACK!**

This is a past servant ministry that was a concerted effort to connect opportunities to serve at St. Andrew's with the hands and feet of God - you and me!

We feel that this is a vital ministry that is important to reimplement but we need your help! We have all of the administrative parts of the former program ready to pick up and we need a few passionate volunteers to take the lead. Please contact Thomas Pool at 704-780-4230/tepool@comporium.net or Maria Jordan at 704-516-4985/msharpe69@hotmail.com.



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS ON MARCH 8. REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR.**



**2015 UNITED METHODIST MEN'S ANNUAL PINE STRAW SALE COMING SOON.**



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|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Jennifer Moore     | 17 Dawn Lisk         |
| 3 David Kingry       | 18 Kelly Slade       |
| 3 Trevor Maxson      | 18 Michael Lewyn     |
| 3 Joshua Wilbanks    | 19 Cyndi Honaker     |
| 4 Jane Williamson    | 19 Brody Cook        |
| 4 Logan Slade        | 21 Barbara Kaylor    |
| 4 Abram Wallace      | 21 Alex Gillis       |
| 5 Derrick Carlyle    | 22 Dana Sanford      |
| 8 Pam Hatley         | 22 Lauren Bradley    |
| 9 Lindsay Faulkner   | 22 Joshua Hughes     |
| 9 Kathryn Kingsmore  | 23 Randy Stokes      |
| 10 Jada Morgan       | 24 Kay Johnson-Smith |
| 11 Davy Lisk         | 25 Kathryn Maher     |
| 12 Tripp Lisk        | 25 Mark Lassiter     |
| 13 Bill Niven        | 25 William Newhouse  |
| 13 Anne Lisk         | 26 Phyllis Cole      |
| 14 Barbara Brank     | 26 Evelynne Saunders |
| 14 Carla Corless     | 26 Tom Patton        |
| 14 Lindsey Starnes   | 26 Bess Darr         |
| 14 Mary Kelton Adams | 29 Kathryn Bower     |
| 15 Betty Reynolds    | 29 Lura Stokes       |
| 15 Justin Wolfe      | 29 Rebecca Horoschak |
| 15 Charissa Irizany  | 31 Alice Forbis      |
| 16 Donald Owens      | 31 Ben Wallace       |
| 17 Don Woodruff      |                      |



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**NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE**

March 12 at noon

**SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Every Tuesday at Noon

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



**St. Andrew's United Methodist Church**

**2015 Schedule**

**Family Life Center Service Coffee**

**MARCH**

**March 1** ..... Liz Snyder  
Mark Francis

**March 8** ..... Don Jordan  
Penny Bryant

**March 15** ..... Amy Penny  
Shawn Penny

**March 22** ..... Karla Knotts  
**March 29** ..... Alex Kendall

**Recycle Pickup 2015**

**March**..... Carl and Jean Wissinger

**Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up**

**Schedule for 2015**

**March**.....Harvey Whichard

**Usher Schedule for 2015**

**March Team Leader**.....Fred Boger  
Cember Carella  
Larry Carella  
Mark Collard  
Larry Collins  
Linda Collins  
P.K. Lackey  
George White

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