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The CHATTER

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

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

UMW PANCAKE SUPPER

**February 14th in the Family Life
Center. Serving begins at 5:30 p.m.**

This is a regular Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner. Reservations Required. Sign up in the Narthex, Family Life Center, or through the Sunday bulletins. Our United Methodist Women with the help of our United Methodist Men will be serving pancakes, sausage, grits, and fruit. Through your love offering all proceeds will go to support United Methodist Women Missions.



IMPOSITION OF ASHES AND WORSHIP SERVICE

**February 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
following the UMW Pancake Supper.**



"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Psalm 118:26

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

Happy New Year from your Trustees! 2017 was a very active year for your Trustees. We hope that each of you has seen a difference around the church. There was a lot of work completed last year, but know that this was not done in a vacuum. There were many people, besides the Trustees, who jumped in to help either physically or monetarily. That has helped us bring the church physical plant up to an acceptable level.

I am reminded at this time, of my grandfather's favorite quote:

"Today is the last day of your first life and the end of a beautiful dream. Tomorrow is the first day of your next life and the realization of that beautiful dream."



Our theme for 2017 was to be "Proactive Rather Than Reactive" and we think we held true to that approach. In total, your Trustees completed over 32 different projects and repairs to the church's physical plant. The most notable projects completed were: the mechanical upgrade to our Preschool Wing; the replacement of the overhead lights in the Family Life Center (FLC); the reallocation of new room spaces to create a new office

for Pastor David, a new Library, and a new Nursery; and a revamped Prayer Room. One of the largest projects is the on-going painting of both the interior and exterior of the church buildings. Finally, based upon your generous giving, we were able to make significant repairs to the boilers and their controls during the holidays when major issues arose.



Mid-year, we came to you, the congregation, with a request for funds to make some of the larger repairs that were identified when we started our "Proactive" approach. You not only stepped up, you exceeded our requested goal for funds. This has allowed us to move forward with a couple of major projects and to lay the groundwork for many more projects in 2018; as well as continuing on-going projects like finishing the painting.



Working with both the Finance Committee and the Technology Committee, your Trustees were also able to

reduce monthly costs to the budget by aggressively researching and subsequently changing our insurance carrier and by replacing our telephone and internet providers. These changes have resulted in a sizable monthly dollar savings for the Church that will allow us to focus on other budget needs. The change to our insurance also positioned us with new coverage that allowed us to replace our security and key fob access to the church when we were struck by lightning this past fall. (The Lord sure does work in mysterious ways!)



TRUSTEE'S REPORT CONTINUED



In 2018, our theme is going to be “Continuing Our Proactive Servant Journey.” We have a lot of things in the hopper, as well as a number of projects out there to complete, including: the replacement of the Commons Room roof (happening the end of January); the update of our main electrical panels; repair to the Commons Room A/C; the completion of the Sanctuary and FLC sound systems; and the upgrade of our microphone equipment. Also included in our plans are the replacement of the A/C units and controls for the Preschool Wing, the replacement of the flat roof over the Office, Room #17 and both Pastor Dan’s and Pastor David’s offices. Next, we would like to move into the electronic world of heating and cooling, via an electronic upgrade to our control system. Finally, as mentioned previously, we will be continuing the painting of both the interior and exterior the church. (The next big paint “party” will be held in March.)



We want to thank everyone who was a part of the dream for 2017, and we look forward to your involvement in the realization of our 2018 dream for a better year at St. Andrew’s United Methodist Church. Thank you for your faith in your Trustees. We take our responsibilities seriously. Please take a chance to reach out to any Trustee and let them know what you think and/or need.

Yours in Christ;
Kenn Bullock – Chair of Trustees

CROSS- CULTURAL EVENT



COME AND JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL CROSS-CULTURAL EVENT: A DAY OF LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP.

Our Cross-Cultural Ministry invites you and your family to come and widen your circle of friends on Sunday, February 11th, at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. *“A friend is always there when everything seems unattainable, interprets glances with understanding, understands the silences, forgives the mistakes and misunderstandings, keeps the secrets shared, prevent the falls, guards the path, dries tears and cultivates ties of peacefulness. A friend is a priceless treasure to be honored, to be cherished.”* Pastor David Ortigoza

Please, come dressed in red and white clothes for this great celebration of love and friendship! There will prizes for all ages for the best representation of red and white.

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.

BIBLE STUDIES



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!



EASTER EGG HUNT – SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH. Join us for a time of fun and fellowship. There will be activities for kids and their families, followed by the annual Egg Hunt on the grounds.

DONATIONS NEEDED: 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 11th. **Volunteer time is needed for:** candy stuffers for the egg hunt, as well as Vacation Bible School Helpers. If you can help support any of these ministries, please let Sherry Jackson know.



BUTTERFLY RELEASE SUNDAY, APRIL 1ST.

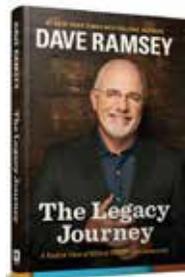
Join us at 10:10 a.m. on Sunday, April 1st to release our butterflies in the world as we rejoice in our risen Savior. If you like you may bring any butterflies you have ordered and release them with us as a group.

Butterfly Order Forms will be available on February 4th. Please turn in all forms by March 4th!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ON JUNE 26-28.

Mark your calendars now for summer fun with our Ride of a Lifetime with God! Be on the lookout for more information!



THE LEGACY JOURNEY. The Legacy Journey is a seven-week, biblically-based class that teaches you how to truly live and leave a legacy for generations to come. This class will lead you deeper into investing, basic estate planning, purposeful living, safeguarding your legacy, and discovering the keys to generational wealth and true generosity. This video and discussion-based class will begin Tuesday, February 6th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Commons Room #1. The class is appropriate for all ages, whether single & married, empty nesters or young families. You will need class materials before February 6th. The easiest way to do that is to sign-up through the Ramsey system. You only need one book/box per couple. (If your materials come late we can have copies for the first class.)

<https://www.daveramsey.com/legacy/classes/1058284>



NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - THE QUEST BY BETH MOORE.

A new women's Bible study, facilitated by Karen Dennison, will begin Wednesday, February 21st, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1. "The Quest" invites you to dig into the Word, to respond to the questions of God, and to bring your questions before God. This is a 6-week class that will surely point you to a deeper faith.

BULLETIN BOARD



KITCHEN COMMITTEE

NOTICES: Effective February 1st, we will ask that all groups using the Family Life Center or Archdale kitchens fill out a "Clean Up Check List" that will be provided on each occasion and left in a designated envelope. The Church Staff and Preschool Staff's kitchen daily use will be exempt from filling out a form, but they do need to read and adhere to the contents of this document. Thank you in advance for helping to keep our facilities clean. Please note that items from the kitchens are not to leave the Church Property without previous approved permission from the Kitchen Committee. Any questions? Please contact Jimmie Dowless, Chair of Kitchen Committee, at 704-351-0297.



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 family. Pastor David can be reached at dortigoza@wnccumc.net or 704-553-1327, ext. 107.

SENIOR ADULTS PROGRAM



HARVESTERS. Harvesters' will meet on February 1st at 10:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1 with lunch to follow in the Family Life Center #23. See you there.



UMW WOMEN'S CIRCLES

SUSANNA CIRCLE Sunday, February 4th, at 12:30 p.m. in Room #18.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, February 6th at 12:00 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

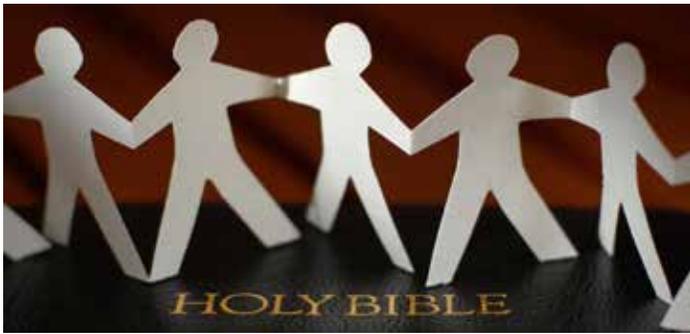
RUTH CIRCLE MEETING Tuesday, February 13th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commons Room #1.

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.



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| 1 Courtney Sanford | 16 Adrian Jelley |
| 2 Jessica Carte | 16 Caitlin Patton |
| 3 Sam Weeks | 16 Myles Francis |
| 3 Camryn Tita | 18 Grayson Dowless |
| 3 Stella Wolf | 19 Carl Wissinger |
| 4 Natalie New | 21 Bob Neely |
| 5 Karen Patrick | 21 Jean Hunter |
| 5 Robin Furr | 21 Sam Hege |
| 5 Jacob Adams | 21 Emma Poteat |
| 6 Shanieka Brown | 22 Sheila Yokeley |
| 7 Emily Wiley | 23 Paige Stokes |
| 8 Martha Murray | 24 David Thornton |
| 8 Mike Weeks | 24 Anna Ward |
| 9 Del Smith | 25 Donna Kingry |
| 11 Jim Warren | 26 Geoffrey Hemenway |
| 11 Brooke Gillespie | 26 Lori Cook |
| 11 Alexsys Irizarry | 26 Olivia Wagner |
| 12 Pam Barnes | 29 Jimmy Bradley |



STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

For our members: Jackie Auville, Joyce Merritt, Trula Booth, Del Smith, Peter Gamwell, Ginny Grisdale, Jimmy McLauren, Tom Aucoin, Bee Jones, Carol Hudgins, Phyllis Cole, Jonathan Bickett, Bill Scroggs, Jay Kizer, Mary Morris, Sam Brown, Caroline Crabtree, and Bob Neely.

Condolences to the family of Betty Reynolds on her death on January 7, 2018; and to Dan and Liz Snyder and their family on the death of Dan's mother, Marge Snyder, who passed on Thursday, January 25, 2018.

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

Pray for our friends and relatives: Steve Gibson, Christine Jelley's son-in-law; 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.

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2018 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

February 4th Liz Snyder
February 11th Penny Bryant
February 15th Penny Bryant
February 25th Penny Bryant

Recycle Pickup

February Jennifer and Eric Bryant and Family

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

February To be announced.

Usher Schedule

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



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NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 15TH AT NOON

SUNDAY BULLETIN AND THURSDAY EMAIL DEADLINE EVERY TUESDAY AT NOON

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