



St. Andrew's
United Methodist Church
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THE CHATTER



A New Year's
blessing to all...from
the staff of St. Andrew's UMC

May the God of hope
fill you with all **JOY AND PEACE**
as you trust in him so that
you may overflow with **HOPE**
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13



Our 13th season of Room In the Inn (Ministry for the Homeless) began in December. The sign-up board is available in the FLC for the early service and in the Narthex for the 11:15 a.m. service. 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.

WANT TO HELP A CHILD ENJOY AND LEARN TO READ?

Donate a Children's Book to our Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry. Madison Collard is collecting Children's Books as part of her Silver Award project, the 2nd highest award in the Girl Scouts. To donate, please leave Children's Books in the green bin, marked Children's Book Collection, located in the Narthex. — Thank you! Madison Collard



MARK YOUR 2017 CALENDAR FOR THESE IMPORTANT CHURCHWIDE SPECIAL OFFERING SUNDAYS.

When you give on Special Sundays, you enable vital ministries that change the world, one life at a time.

CHURCHWIDE SPECIAL SUNDAYS

Bring Churches Together

	<p>HUMAN RELATIONS DAY — JANUARY 15, 2017 Gifts to Human Relations Day Sunday support the Community Developers Program and community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services, related to the General Board of Global Ministries, and at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation program, General Board of Church and Society. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadHRD)</p>
	<p>UMCOR SUNDAY (FORMERLY ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING) — MARCH 26, 2017 Gifts to UMCOR Sunday lay the foundation for all United Methodist Committee on Relief work by covering the costs of doing business. This means all contributions designated to specific programs can go 100 percent to those programs because UMCOR's basic expenses are covered. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadUMCOR)</p>
	<p>NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY — APRIL 30, 2017 Gifts to Native American Ministries Sunday fund scholarships for Native American seminarians and strengthen, develop and equip Native American rural, urban and reservation congregations, ministries and communities and annual conference Native American ministries. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadNAM5)</p>
	<p>PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY — JUNE 11, 2017 Gifts on Peace with Justice Sunday fund programs that advocate for peace and justice in the United States and around the world. These programs empower United Methodists to speak out for removing structures and systems that harm God's children globally. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadPWJ5)</p>
	<p>WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY — OCTOBER 1, 2017 Gifts to World Communion Sunday fund graduate racial-ethnic World Communion Scholarships, with at least one-half of the annual amount reserved for ministries beyond the United States. Donations also provide for undergraduate U.S. Ethnic Scholarship and Ethnic In-Service Training programs. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadWCS)</p>
	<p>UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY — NOVEMBER 26, 2017 Gifts to United Methodist Student Day Sunday help deserving United Methodist students continue their education and faith journeys as they strive to make a difference in the world and discern what God has called them to do. (Download resources: www.umcgiving.org/DownloadUMSD)</p>

MLK Celebration



Save The Date
Saturday,
January 14,
2017

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The United Methodist Church

Confronting Chaos, Forging Beloved Community

St. Luke's UMC, Hickory, NC.
 52 16th Avn NW, Hickory, NC 28601
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CHILDREN'S NEWS



A Special thank you to all the parents and kids who participated in the Children's Christmas Program! We had a lot of fun learning and sharing together! Thank you all for making it great!



Join our K.I.C.K. group on Wednesday night, January 11th, for a great time of fun and fellowship as we participate in an Epiphany Treasure Hunt. We will begin with clues that lead us on a journey of discovery. We would love to have you come and participate in this fun night! Join us for the dinner at 5:45 p.m. with program to follow.

Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting – Sunday, January 22nd, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commons Room #1. We would love for you to come and help us plan our VBS program for the summer of 2017. We are going to look at choosing our program and begin making plans for a great summer event. Please join us!



TEACHER ASSISTANTS NEEDED – can you assist in a classroom once or twice a month? Our preschool class needs an extra hand and we would love to have you help out. Please contact Sherry Jackson if you are interested.

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.



STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAYERS FOR...

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

For our members: Anne Friese, Sam Brown, Shawn Penny, P. K. Lackey, Bee Jones, Betty Reynolds, Ed Cole, Caroline Crabtree, Trula Booth, Charles Cassady, Anne Lisk, Juli Treadway-Lawson, Bob Neely, and Inez Weston.

Condolences to Christine Jelley and family on the death of her husband Tony Jelley on December 7th; and to the death of GERALYN and Bill Ferrell's newborn great-grandson Matthew.

Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally: Gladys Ott, GERALYN and Bill Ferrell, Edna Senger, Ruth Drum, Mabel Chapman, Frank and Shirley Clontz, Juanita Bailey, Nell Slade, and Evelyn Saunders.

Pray for our friends and relatives: Barbara Kaye, friend of Peter Gamwell; recent death of Cam Jones, friend of George and Jolene White; Ralph Ward, father of Kevin Ward; Emily Pierce; Trenton Miller; Edna Senger's daughter, Joyce Carpenter and family and Edna's great-grand-daughter, Madison Bovina; Trinity Lewis, sister of Betty Reynold's caregiver, and Betty Reynold's son-in-law Babak Emadi; Monica Lewis; Kenneth and Evelyn Farrar's son, Greg; Jim McGee, Jesyiah Mungo, daughter of Debra Truesdale; Janey Disher's daughter, Lynda Adair; Glenda Patton's brother Jim Bolick; Barbara Loveland, mother of Jennifer Catha; Rosemary Gloege's sister, Jane; Reverend Bob Ralls, former pastor of St. Andrew's UMC; Emily Martin Stevenson's father, Don Martin; and Chase Harns.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Please welcome to our church family Richard Zeller who joined St. Andrew's UMC on Sunday, November 13th.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Sara and Michael Joins on the birth of their son Corey Alexander on Wednesday, December 14th at 12:30 a.m. Grandmother is Pam Bame and great-grandmother is Pat Smathers.

CHATTER UPDATE. Due to financial issues we will no longer print the Chatter for bulk mailing. The Chatter will continue to be available at www.standrewsumc.com. A small number of black and white copies may be found in the Narthex. For those who do not have computer access and are not able to pick up a printed copy from the Narthex, please call the church office for assistance. Thank you for your understanding.



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 dortigoza@wnccumc.net or 704-553-1327.

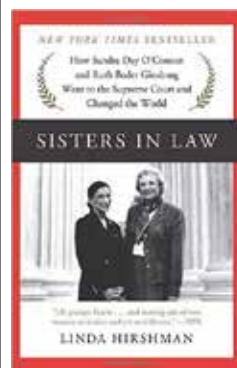
2017 OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available for pick up on the table next to the church office. If you are in need of offering envelopes, or your request for envelopes was not filled, please contact Patti Huss at 704-553-1327, ext. 106.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE MEETING Tuesday, January 3rd, meeting will be at 12:00 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

HARVESTERS. Join us on Thursday, January 5th, at 10:30 a.m. in the Commons Room.

SUSANNA CIRCLE will be hosting their annual "We survived the holidays" luncheon on Sunday, January 8th at 12:30 p.m. The luncheon will be held at the Tryon House restaurant located at 215 E. Exmore Street just off of Old Pineville Road.

RUTH CIRCLE MEETING Tuesday, January 10th at 9:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1.



THE ST. ANDREW'S

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB will be meeting on Friday, January 20th, at 6:30 p.m. We will meet at Amelie's French Bakery located at 7715 Pineville-Matthews Road. The book we have chosen to discuss for our Inaugural Day meeting is "Sisters In Law" by Linda Hirshman. This book tells the stories of Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Pick up a copy and plan to join us!

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.





1 Emily Brinkley
1 Peyton Roach
2 Elaine Thompson
5 Michael Knotts
6 Kelly Henninger
7 Pauline Muntz
8 Brittany Kingry
11 Charles Medlin
11 Kevin Ward
12 Rebecca Gibson
12 Allison Pridgeon
14 Shirley Tripp
16 Vicki Lawson
16 Bill Scroggs
16 Dennis Slade
16 Faith Jelley
17 Bobby Hennecey
17 Madison Collard
17 Tate Brinkley

18 Julie Hester
18 Mark Hemenway
19 Freddy Holtkamp
19 Karin Gillespie
20 Myra Huntley
20 Landon Sherrill
21 Karen Harris
21 Scott Shepherd
21 Kevin Simpson
22 Kim Bradley
22 Karla Knotts
22 Linda Aucoin
22 Colton Grist
23 Carole Greene
23 Ashley Miller
23 Amy Penny
24 Ann Evans
25 Larry Thompson
25 Ed Morales

26 Sue Bullock
27 Ruth Drum
27 Bob Miller
27 Greg Boone
27 Meredith Pool
28 Nell Slade
28 Abby Poteat
29 Justin McMurray



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NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE

January 12th at noon

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Every Tuesday at Noon

Send your Chatter/Bulletin information,
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2017 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

January 1st Penny Bryant
January 8th Liz Snyder
January 15th Liz Snyder
January 22nd Liz Snyder
January 29nd Liz Snyder

Recycle Pickup

January 1st-31st

To be announced at a later date.

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

January
David Lisk

Usher Schedule

January Team Leader

Larry Wolfe
Mark Hemenway
Daw Lisk
Bob Miller
Bill Scroggs
Harvey Whichard
Jim Walkup (Sub.)