

February-March 2014



St. Andrew's
United Methodist Church
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THE CHATTER

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN PANCAKE SUPPER

Ash Wednesday on March 5 in the Family Life Center



**SERVING WILL
BEGIN
AT 5:30PM**

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

Yummy! Yummy! Yummy!



ROOM IN THE INN: We thought you would like to know that Charlotte has a “warm heart” for their neighbors. RITI normally can take care of 126 “neighbors” on Sunday nights, 166 on Monday, 138 on Tuesday and 133 on Wednesday evenings (women, children, men). But during the recent severe cold spell, many churches offered extra beds so that there were 250 beds available on Tuesday night – the night our church hosted 10 “neighbors.” Each man expressed his gratitude to the volunteers. Thank you all for being such a hospitable church. Paul Hanneman was overjoyed with the response from the churches.

St. Giles Presbyterian Church hosted the “neighbors” as well. We are most grateful that they share this ministry with us each month.

The RITI moveable bulletin board shows that we still need **OVERNIGHT HOSTS**, Sunday school classes, circle groups, men and youth to lend a helping hand with meals, lunches, breakfast and help with cleaning up, etc. We also need **WHITE SOCKS** and **TOOTHBRUSHES** for their toiletry bag. Please put these items in the container in the entry to the Commons Room.

Again, thanks for your generous response to the urgent need this week.
John & Karen Patrick, Larry & Mary Morris, Sam and Beverly Brown



ST. ANDREW'S SERVES CHILDREN ages 18 months through 5 years in our Weekday Preschool. If you are interested in enrolling your children or grandchildren for the 2014-2015 school year beginning in September, call Amanda or Gina at 704-553-7896. Registration for classes fill up quickly! We would love to have your child as a part of our school!

STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAYERS FOR...

Hilda Bookout	Penny Bryant	Pat Smathers
Juanita Bailey	Abbey Buzzard	John Russom
Bill Bailey		
Jim Marcus son of Mary Marcus		
Pearl Poole - Aldersgate		
Emily Pierce - granddaughter of close friend of Ginny Grisdale		

THE HARVESTERS will meet on Thursday, March 6 at 10:30 AM. March 6 at 10:30AM. A representative from the YMCA will provide tips for geriatric citizens. Make your plans now to attend the informative program. A great lunch will follow. New members welcome. If you are not already on a calling list, please contact Rosada Lackey at 704-551-6980 to make a reservation.

HANNAH AND HER SISTERS will meet on Saturday, March 1 at 9:30 in the Commons Room #1.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE next meeting is March 4 at 12:00pm in the Commons Room #1.

RUTH CIRCLE meeting will be on March 11 at 10:00am in the Commons Room #1

UNITED METHODIST MEN next breakfast meeting is on March 16 at 7:45am in the Fellowship Hall #2.

COUPONS FOR VETS. There is a need again for **grocery coupons** only for Vets. Milly Ash will be collecting these again and sending them off to the center for Vets. A box will be placed in the Commons Room hallway near Kevin's office. Thank you for your help.

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.



DAYLIGHT TIME BEGINS ON MARCH 9. REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR.

MISSION AND EDUCATION NEWS



LENTEN FAIR FOR KIDS & FAMILIES SUNDAY, MARCH 9 FROM 5:00-7:00PM.

We'll be doing some great activities to help us observe Lent in our homes. Pretzel making (these are sooooo good!), bracelets, placemats and more will help your family draw close to God and learn about Jesus during the season of Lent. This is awesome family time. Bring your friends. Want to help with an activity? Contact Sandy Devoid at sdevoid@standrewsumc.com or 704-553-1327.

BUTTERFLIES FOR EASTER! AN EASTER GIFT YOUR CHILD WILL NEVER FORGET!

We will release the butterflies on Easter Sunday!

Your child can watch his or her caterpillar change into a beautiful colorful butterfly during Lent. This is a great way The Painted Lady Caterpillars come with a life long supply of nutrient. They are self sufficient until the chrysalis stage — then you simply transfer them to the Butterfly box. When they become butterflies, they should be released in a few days. (Life expectancy from that point is 2-3 weeks.) You will receive a kit with complete instructions. It's easy! Cost: \$6.00 per caterpillar, Hanging House: \$6.00, Free Standing House: \$9.00.

JR. YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

Jr. Youth Group is for kids in Grades 2-5.

Bring your friends!

March 2 (Sunday)

Talent Show! Arrive at 4:30pm if you are going to perform. Fun!!!

March 9 (Sunday)

Lenten Fair for kids & families. 5:00-7:00pm. Activities for Lent....supper, too!

March 16 (Sunday)

St. Patrick's Day Party! Games & Fun! 5:30-7:00pm

March 23 (Sunday)

Neighborhood Night! A Cool Scavenger Hunt we'll do together!

March 30 (Sunday)

Treat Night! We'll make treats for some special people. 5:30-7:00pm

ST. ANDREW'S WOMEN'S RETREAT WELCOMES LADIES OF ALL AGES! APRIL 4-6 AT BEAUTIFUL LAKE JUNALUSKA.

Friendship, laughter, Bible Study, great walking trails and an historic hotel make this a weekend that rejuvenates the soul. 'Come....take a break and get a little rest....' (Mark 6) Brochures and Registration Forms are available in the narthex and gym. Scholarships are available. Register today and the cost is: Single Room \$175, Double Room \$180, Triple Room \$105 & Quad \$90. This includes 2 nights lodging and 3 meals. Questions? See Maria Jordan (msharpe69@hotmail.com), Jennifer Catha (jcatha@wellsfargo.com) or call the church office at 704-553-1327. We hope you will come!



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

We are looking to improve upon our already wonderful hospitality ministries! That means we are looking for some volunteers to join our fantastic group of folks already working hard to make St. Andrew's UMC such a welcoming congregation!



We believe it is every member's job to be hospitable to our guest on Sunday mornings and our guest throughout the week, but it helps to have folks each week who have designated jobs that help make us a warm and welcoming congregation.

Here are some areas that we are looking for some more volunteers:

Bean Team:

The Bean Team is the group that puts out coffee and hot chocolate for folks before the worship service. We could use a few more volunteers for the 9:00 am service and would love to expand this to having consistent coffee and hot chocolate available for the 11:15 service.

Sunday Morning Hosts/Greeters:

Our Hosts/Greeters are the friendly faces there to welcome all folks (not just guests) as they come into worship. The Hosts/Greeters job is also to help assist first time guests in finding Sunday Schools, bathroom facilities, nursery facilities, and worship areas. Most importantly, the Hosts/Greeters will help introduce our guests to other members of St. Andrew's UMC! We need folks to help in this ministry area for both the 9:00 am service as well as the 11:15 am service.

Guest Follow Up:

We are looking for some folks that will be willing to follow up with our Sunday morning guests. These folks would contact guests the week after they have been in worship with us. That person would then also serve as a mentor/contact person for our guests as they explore the possibility of joining in the life of St. Andrew's UMC.

St. Andrew's UMC is a very warm and friendly church, but like all churches, we have a need for growth in some of our hospitality ministries! Please prayerfully consider being a part of the team that is very intentional in making sure that we are warm and friendly to every single person that walks through the doors of St. Andrew's UMC.

If you are interested in learning more about any of these ministry areas or volunteering in any of these ministry areas, please contact Kevin Ward at 704-553-1327 ext. 105 or youth@standrewsumc.com.

In Christ Name,
Kevin Ward

2014 St. Andrew's Talent Show



**SINGING....DANCING....DRAMA
PLAYING....JOKE TELLING**

**We want YOU to join us in creating
The 2014 St. Andrew's Talent Show!**

**Sunday, March 2 5:00pm
Supper and Fun!**

Sign up to perform in the narthex or Family Life Center or by emailing churchoffice@standrewsumc.com
Bring your family & friends for a memorable evening!

All proceeds will go to our Summer Freedom School which gives low income students a safe place to learn & grow for 6 weeks.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Mission Trip

Mark your calendars for the youth mission trip for next summer! We will be returning to Wilmington again this summer the week of July 20th-26th! This will be a combined Middle School/High School trip again! The price will once again be \$150.00 per person!



We are not meant to journey in faith alone. This Lent, prepare your heart for Easter by joining one of our Lenten Study Groups. Each class will explore scripture and will give us plenty to think about during this holy season. Sign up by emailing churchoffice@standrewsumc.com, calling 704-553-1327 or stop by the table in the narthex or gym.

Lent Study for Choir Members & others. This new study will meet from 10:10-10:40am and is designed for choir members and others who need a shorter Sunday School time. David Lisk will lead "Give Up Something Bad for Lent". This book by author, James Moore, challenges us to take the act of 'giving something up' for lent a step further. Imagine giving up envy, jealousy, self-pity or negative thinking. This is a easy read that draws us in to finding more with Christ.

Sunday during Sunday School: Lent: A 40 Day Guide to Resurrection. This little book is a guide...a help...a companion on the 40-day journey of prayer and Christian practice known as Lent. On this journey, we will practice the disciplines of addition, subtraction, and introspection so that we may more fully participate in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Sunday afternoons 5:00pm: Final Words. Explore the final words of Jesus throught the eyes and ears of those who stood near the cross. Jimmy Bradley will lead this study by Pastor and Author Adam Hamilton. Jesus spoke seven final words, statements that have much to teach us about, Jesus, his Father and ourselves.

Wednesday Mornings at 10:00am: He Set His Face to Jerusalem. This study looks at Jesus' journey to Jerusalem in order to help us reflect on how we, "set our faces" in life. Where do we set our races in our relationships with God and with our neighbor? As we set our faces to Jerusalem and to the ministry, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, what difference does it make? This study, written by Bishop Richard Wilke (The Disciple Bible Study author), will be led by Martha Ann Harris.

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00pm: Listen: Praying in a Noisy World. This 40 day experience in prayer focuses on listening prayer and prayer as two-way conversation will help us build and deepen our personal prayer practice and spiritual discernment. An excellent DVD helps us leave our world of noise and open our heart to God. This study by Bishop Rueben Job (Author of "Three Simple Rules") and will be led by Ruth Mauldin.

MARCH



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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 Kay Buffaloe | 23 Randy Stokes |
| 9 Kathryn Kingsmore | 24 Kay Johnson-Smith |
| 11 Davy Lisk | 25 Kathryn Maher |
| 12 Tripp Lisk | 25 Mark Lassiter |
| 13 Anne Lisk | 25 William Newhouse |
| 14 Barbara Brank | 26 Phyllis Cole |
| 14 Carla Corless | 26 Evelynne Saunders |
| 14 Lindsey Starnes | 26 Tom Patton |
| 14 Mary Kelton Adams | 26 Bess Darr |
| 15 Belty Reynolds | 29 Kathryn Bower |
| 15 Justin Wolfe | 29 Lura Stokes |
| 15 Charissa Irizarry | 29 Rebecca Horoschak |
| 16 Donald Owens | 31 Alice Forbis |
| 17 Don Woodruff | 31 Ben Wallace |

BIRTHDAYS

2014 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

MARCH

March 2Liz Snyder
Mark Francis

March 9Don Jordan
Penny Bryant

March 16Amy Penny
Shawn Penny

March 23Liz Snyder
Mark Francis

March 30Don Jordan
Penny Bryant

Recycle Pickup 2014

March..... Carl and Jean Wissinger

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

Schedule for 2014
March.....To be announced.

Usher Schedule for 2014

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

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March 13, 2014 at 12:00 Noon

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Every Tuesday at Noon

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