



Weekly CHATTER

MARCH 6, 2022

Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Online.

WORSHIP UPDATE

This Sunday, March 6th, we will meet in the Sanctuary as we begin the Lenten Season. Our conversations will center around the daily prayer practice of Examen. During Lent, we are

invited to turn towards intentional practices of spiritual disciplines that strengthen our faith lives and discipleship. Want to learn more? See you on Sunday.

UPDATE TO MASK MANDATE. In concert with decisions made by Mecklenburg County, SAUMC will become "mask optional" effective March 1st. This means, 1) the mask and hand sanitizing stations will stay in place; 2) As a significant portion of our members have vulnerable health factors, mutual respect will be offered for individual choices; and 3) Everyone is asked to continue to take needed precautions if they have any symptoms or concerns regarding COVID exposures. The Trustees are also working with other ministries who share our facilities so that they and we are mutually cared for. Ultimately, we continue to remember Wesley's rules *to do no harm, and to do good*. We believe this to be a next faithful step in response to the ongoing pandemic. Questions or concerns, reach out to our trustees or staff.

WHAT DO ALL THESE FOLKS HAVE IN COMMON?

67 year old with an Alzheimer's diagnosis, 44 year old mayor of a small town, 11 year old girl bullied on social media, 36 year old musician, 74 year old and 75 year old couple, 87 year old and 89 year old couple, 27 year old man, 17 year old teenager...

What do they have in common? They are all folks I have seen articles about in the last few weeks, and they are all folks who have died by suicide. This Sunday, March 6th, at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center, we are going to host a Suicide Prevention Event with guest speaker Susan Tolle. We encourage anyone that can come to be there and learn risk factors and warning signs of suicide. If you would like more information on the event, please message Kevin Ward at kjw2517@gmail.com



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Worship Kits and **Lenten Wreath Kits** are now available to use at home. They may be picked up from the church office during office hours, or call the church to arrange for delivery or mail. On Mondays during Lent, beginning **March 7th**, the Metro District is offering a **Lenten Study** utilizing James Howell's resource, "Unrevealed Until Its Season". Offered in both English and Spanish, it will be facilitated in part by our own Pastor David. Click below:

<https://wnc-reg.brapp.com/LentenStudy2022MetroDistrict> for more information and to register. On Wednesdays, from **March 9th through April 6th**, we will gather for a simple meal and worship from 5:45 - 6:45 p.m. in the Family Life Center. *Want to volunteer or need more information?* Email Kevin Ward at kjw2517@gmail.com. *Want to join the fellowship - call/email the office or go to sign-up genius at <http://tinyurl.com/Lentenmeals>*. **And mark your calendars** now for a Spring Festival on Sunday, April 3rd, at 4:00 p.m. There also will be services on Holy Thursday, April 14th, and Good Friday, April 15th (more information to come).

JOIN US FOR SOME HOCKEY on Sunday, March 20th, at 1:00 p.m., Charlotte Checkers vs. Providence Bruins at Bojangles arena! Parking is free. Carpooling if necessary. All are welcome to join Family Ministries at the game for a day of fun and fellowship. Go to: <https://fevo.me/standrewschurch> to buy tickets for \$18.00+ fees and instructions on how to access your tickets a few days prior to the game. Please email Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com or Kevin Ward at kjw2517@gmail.com for more details!



- 7 Ana Flores
- 7 Humberto Humarza
- 8 Pam Hatley
- 9 Kathryn Allison
- 9 Lindsay Faulkner
- 10 Jada Morgan
- 11 Davy Lisk, Jr.

PLEASE HELP CELEBRATE. On Saturday, March 5th, Hazel Huss will celebrate her 96th birthday. Please flood her with cards on that special day. Cards may be sent to: Hazel Huss, 1612 Calumet Place, Charlotte, NC 28210. Thank you.

WORSHIP SERVICE MARCH 6, 2022

- 9:30 a.m. Worship Through Prayer
- 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary "TripTik and Wanderings" Psalms 139: 1-10, 23-34
- 11:11 a.m. Spiritual Formation and Fellowship for Children, Youth, and Adults.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed on Fridays.

**O LORD,
YOU HAVE
SEARCHED
ME AND
KNOWN ME.**
PSALM 139:1

DAY OF LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

