



weekly

Chatter

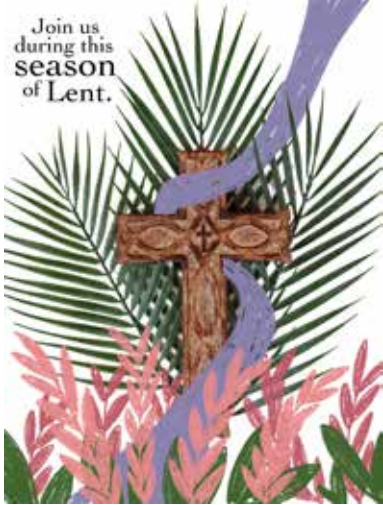
March 9, 2025

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Join us during this season of Lent.



WORSHIP UPDATES SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH.

This Sunday, we enter into the Lenten Season. I've always found it interesting that while Sundays are *of* Advent, Sundays are *in* Lent. This is a gentle reminder that despite our journey towards the shadow of death in Holy Week, that Easter is coming. Actually, in our practice of faith, every Sunday is a mini-Easter, recognizing that the risen Christ is always with us. So come with joy and give thanks for God's goodness through Jesus. Don't forget that throughout Lent we'll be using a resource by **Jill J. Duffield** entitled "**Lent in Plain Sight, A Devotion through Ten Objects**". If you'd like to purchase it and follow along, it will provide daily readings for the 40 days of Lent plus Easter Sunday. **And the first object for our consideration is Bread!** So if you're reading this and traveling to the grocery store, grab a few extra items for **Nourish Up (Loaves and Fishes)** so that we all might be fed.

This Sunday, youth return to St. Andrew's UMC, small groups will meet following worship and we'll have our monthly fellowship meal hosted by Grumpy Grampa. Suggested donation is \$10.00. See you here!



GRUMPY GRAMPA'S.



OUR NEXT BOOK CLUB MEETING is **Friday, March 7th, at 6:30 p.m.** at the home of Nicole Campbell (1617 Lyndale Place, Charlotte).

We will discuss "**The Four Winds**" by **Kristin Hannah**. All are welcome. Invite a friend.



OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2025-2026 ST. ANDREW'S PRESCHOOL HAS BEGUN.

Please check with your neighbors and friends and

invite them to check out our preschool program and register for the next school year.

Registration forms and pricing may be found on our website at www.standrewsumcpreschool.com.

For more information or for a tour, please call Sherry Jackson, director, at 704-553-7896.

SQUARE DANCE LESSONS OPEN HOUSE.



Western-Called Square Dance.

Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

in the Fellowship Hall Rm. #2

If you can walk you can square dance. Great exercise - low impact. \$5.00 per week - approximately 16-week commitment. Sponsored by the Swinging Saints Square Dance Club.



PICKLEBALL

Wednesdays:

March 12th, 19th and 26th

from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

in the Family Life Center.

Join us for loads of fun. All skill levels are welcome. Bring a friend. Please use the Emerywood Dr. entrance.



UMM BREAKFAST.

All men are invited to breakfast and

fellowship, on **Saturday, March 15th**, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.

CONDOLENCES

to the family of **Bob Miller** who passed away on Tuesday, February 18th.



Please keep his daughters Janice and Lynn and their families in your prayers. If you

would like to send condolences, addresses are as follows:

Janice Miller, 1091 Cramerton Village Dr., Unit C, Cramerton, NC 28032

Lynn Rhoades, P.O. Box 1479, Carthage, NC 28327.

There will be a private family service in the church columbarium at a later date.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Christine Jelley
5512 Carmel Road, Apt. 255
Charlotte, NC 28226



Saturday, April 12th, 10:30 a.m.-Noon
in the Family Life Center and church grounds.

Join Learning Help Centers of Charlotte (LHCC) and St. Andrew's UMC for Easter fellowship and fun! There will be snacks, crafts, games, and an Easter message! **WANT TO HELP!** We are collecting donations of fillable eggs, candy, and prizes. We are also looking for day-of-volunteers.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS. PRESCHOOLER SUMMER CAMP. (You do not have to be enrolled in our regular program to attend.)

Camp dates are:

June 9th-12th (Summer Fun)

July 7th-10th (Bug Camp),

August 4th-7th (Jungle Camp).

Cost is \$150 per camper per week. Contact the preschool office at 704-553-7896 for more information or find the registration form online at:

www.standrewsumcpreschool.com.

MARCH Birthdays

- 11 Davy Lisk, Jr.
- 13 Anne Lisk



WORSHIP SERVICE
MARCH 9, 2025

9:15 a.m.
Intercessory
Prayer Service #30

10:00 a.m.
"Bread on the Water"
in the Sanctuary
Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

11:11 a.m.
Small Group Gatherings.

NOON
Youth at St. Andrew's UMC.



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

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETINGS

SUNDAY, MARCH 16TH
2:00 p.m. Trustees
in room #17 (hybrid).

3:00 p.m. SPRC
online only.

4:30 p.m. Finance
online only.



Daylight Savings time begins, Sunday, March 9th. Set your clocks ahead one hour.



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REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

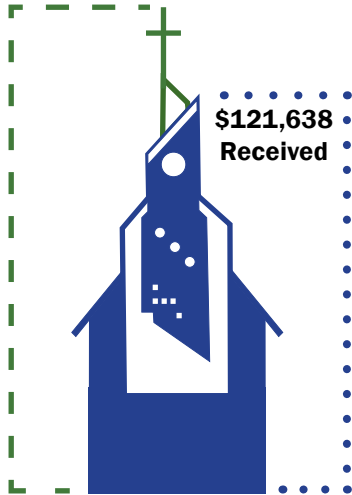
ALMOST THERE!

Thank you for all that you have given to support the major repair appeal!

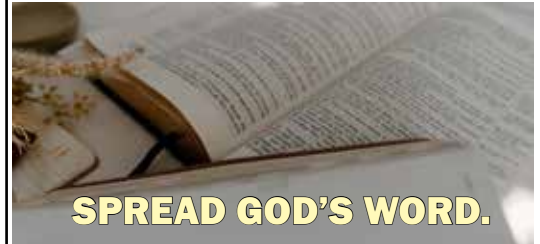
We have received \$121,638 to date, almost to our goal of \$128,000. Just another \$6,362 and we will not need to seek a loan to pay for our major repairs. Mark any gifts you make as Major Repairs. **THANK YOU!!** These gifts will allow us to have a safe and warm building for all including our ministry partners.

Tom Patton for the Finance Committee

\$128,000
Goal



THE GREEN DROP OFF BIN IS STILL AVAILABLE located in the Narthex for donations of old athletic shoes in all sizes.



Consider supporting the jail ministry by donating used Upper Rooms, other devotional books, Sunday school/Bible study books, and etc. Please drop-off reading materials in the green box located in the Narthex entry hall below the Upper Room book rack. Please continue to support this outreach and know your kindness is appreciated by the jail chaplains. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM STAFF PARRISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE:



Friends, we are in a season of change and are navigating a very new norm. With Pastor Sherri's retirement and Pastor David's transition, each of us will be asked to continue to lean into the needs of the church and community by our prayers and service. We wanted to be sure to share updates through this process.

Pastoral Appointment: We have provided our Church Profile to our District Superintendent, Dan Pezet. This is our introduction to the council and will be used similar to a "job description" to determine the needs for St. Andrew's UMC.

Music Leader: We are preparing to post for a keyboardist/vocalist and are working towards a Music Worship Leader. In the interim, we will continue to engage with congregational singing with the choir. We may also deploy small ensembles to continue worshiping through music.

Property Manager: With the continued increase in building usage, we are preparing to post for a new position of Property Manager. This will assist with day-to-day coordination of maintenance across the property, relationships with community partners and vendor management. We will continue to work with trustees on this position and the needs of the church.

Lastly, as our staff is managing many items, members of the SPRC will be available Sunday mornings to answer general questions. This will allow our pastoral staff the opportunity to focus on sermon preparation. Please look for one of the members to address any needs. We will be posted in the Narthex ready to serve and assist.

Pastor David Ortigoza preaching; Sherry Jackson and David serve Communion; and Katie Patton teaches the children about Jesus's Transfiguration as part of the worship service on Sunday, March 2nd.



PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

Metro District Leadership Team and Alliance Center for Education meeting attendees on Thursday, February 27th, at St. Andrew's UMC.

