



weekly

Chatter

May 11, 2025

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WORSHIP UPDATES SUNDAY, MAY 11TH.

This Sunday morning we will take a break from **"Bluey"** (little ones need naps) and shift our attention to all of the amazing



women in our lives who have shaped and formed us! I give thanks for so many, and my prayer is that like a multi-faceted diamond, depending upon how I'm held, you will see their reflection in me. Take a moment each day this week and lift up in prayer and thanksgiving a woman you hold dear! **Bluey and Bingo will return on May 18th.** The episode for that week is **"Rain", Season 3, Episode 16**, and the dance party will resume. Don't forget, we are unable to livestream the episode during the service, but we'll show it to those gathered beginning at **9:45 a.m.!** See you here! **This Sunday, youth take a break to celebrate with family! Intercessory prayer is in Room 18 at 9:15 a.m. and small groups will meet following worship.**

A MESSAGE FROM OUR STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Greetings St. Andrew's Friends and Family!

With Pastor Sherri's retirement and Pastor David's change in appointment on June 30th,



Pastor Norma Villagrana

I am happy to announce that **Pastor Norma Villagrana** will be joining us July 1st. She comes to us with over 20 years experience.

She served in Western North Carolina Conference United Methodist Church leadership. She has been described as having a deep and contagious spirituality. She is a dedicated worship planner, with experience in facility usage and expanding ministries. She believes in small group connections, prayers meeting and community. She is part of a clergy couple, as her husband Hugo is also a pastor. We look forward to her joining us in July. We will provide

opportunities for small group connections with Pastor Norma. Thank you to all who have prayerfully lifted up St. Andrew's during this time. We are very excited for our new chapter and where God is leading St. Andrew's.

~Courtney Picha, SPRC Chair

LADIES OF ST. ANDREW'S.

Please don't forget to send your men to the Music Room #31 this Sunday, May 11th, at 9:30 a.m. I'd like for them to join me to make a joyful noise. . . not a perfect noise.

~Music Tom

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH.

Please join us for a Mother's Day Lunch hosted by our Hispanic Ministry. **Sunday, May 11th, from noon-12:30 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall Rm. 2. Please call the church office at 704-553-1327 ext.100 or sign up in the Narthex. No cost. All are welcome.



CLANCY DOWLESS MEMORIAL FUND

This Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11th, St. Andrew's UMC is invited to participate in supporting the **Clancy Dowless Memorial Fund.**

Clancy's parents, Norma and Jimmy, as well as brothers, Brian and Anthony, are longtime members of this community. Gifts to the fund support the Barnabas ministry of Camp Tekoa, an annual week-long camp designed for adults with developmental disabilities. In scripture, Barnabas is known for showing great kindness to the apostle Paul and his Hebrew name translates to "son of encouragement". Your support will provide camper scholarships and camp upgrades for this important and special ministry. So, be a Barnabas! Through your financial support, you can extend encouragement and kindness to Tekoa's exceptional campers and continue Clancy's witness of the same.



SAVE THE DATE! Project Harmony's Final Concert.

Monday, May 12th, at Christ Lutheran Church.

Located at 4519 Providence Rd., Charlotte, NC 28226.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Concert begins at 6:30 p.m.

Prompt arrival is highly recommended as it will be a short performance.



PICKLEBALL

Wednesdays: May 14th, 21st and 28th 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, May 17th**, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center.



BELL CHOIR INTEREST MEETINGS.

Interested in ringing bells? Come to a short meeting after worship on **May 18th**, in the Music Room #31 to learn more about restarting the Bell Choir and upcoming rehearsals. All are welcome!

PROCTORS NEEDED

When: Friday, May 23rd, Wed., May 28th, or Friday, May 30th. approx. 7:30- 11:45 a.m.

A proctor is someone who assists the test administrator (teacher) during state testing. Proctors simply help in the classroom by circulating to monitor students as they test. No experience is necessary but you do need to be a registered volunteer with CMS. For more information, please contact Mrs. Moore at:

jenniferk.moore@cms.k12.nc.us



or

<https://bit.ly/Proctor25MES>



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- 11 Ryan Tita
- 12 Mary Anne Smith



**WORSHIP SERVICE
MAY 11, 2025
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

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

10:00 a.m.
Worship in the
Sanctuary.
"Learning to Hear
in a Noisy World".
John 10:22-30

11:11 A.M.
Small Group Gathering
No Youth Group meeting.



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



MAY 18TH

**JOINT MEETING
2:00 p.m. Trustees and
Finance at 2:00 p.m.
(Hybrid) in the Commons
Room (Rm. 1).**

4:00 p.m. SPRC (Online).



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FINANCIAL REPORT



ST. ANDREW'S UMC SUPPORTS TEACHERS AT MONTCLAIRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Did you know that St. Andrew's has an outreach program to support teachers at Montclair Elementary School? We do! We start the school year off with a kickoff breakfast for the school staff followed by monthly snack cart days, a Christmas lunch, and end of year lunch. Montclair is a Title 1 school and does not have a strong PTA that can support the teachers. The breakfast and lunches allow the teachers and staff to have an opportunity to share a meal with each other.



The big hit with teachers and staff is our monthly snack cart. We go on the third Friday of each month and roll around two snack carts. One has a wide variety of soft drinks, Gatorade and flavored waters. The other cart has a variety of chips, popcorn, cookies, and chocolate. You would not believe how excited the teachers get when we come to their classrooms. The Physical Education teacher did a cartwheel for us as her kids cheered her and us. The cafeteria ladies love the chocolate nuggets! When we are on campus, teachers will pass the word to other teachers that are away from classrooms, so they do not miss us. All we do is go to the classroom door and wave a bag of popcorn and the teachers come running.



They always tell us how much they appreciate our coming. One teacher told us she forgot her lunch one day but

remembered she had popcorn from our last visit, so she did not miss her lunch.

If you want to have an experience that lifts you up, join us for one of the snack days. Time commitment is from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Reach out to Glenda Patton (704-650-3138) to join this wonderful and rewarding ministry. It takes 3 volunteers for each visit. You won't regret volunteering. Your giving to the church allows this ministry to take place.

~Tom Patton for the Finance Committee



CALLING ALL GRADUATES - HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, AND BEYOND!

We want to celebrate you on **Sunday, June 8th**. We hope you'll be able to join us for worship, but even if you can't, please reach out to Pastor Sherri and let us know about your next steps and plans! More details to come!



PRESCHOOL 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.



SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS!

Send a picture and information to Patti Huss at:

churchchatter@standrewsumc.com

and we'll celebrate with you!



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.



WE HAVE A NEW MINISTRY PARTNER IN THE BUILDING, DANIELLE HUGHES.

And here's a bit about her. She's a wife and mother of a 10 year old daughter. She's worked in ministry and helping fields for over 20 years! *"I am thrilled to be partnering with SAUMC to provide mental health therapy and spiritual direction"*. Her office is located next to the Financial Secretary's near the Commons Room (Rm. 1). She sees clients in person and virtually throughout the week. *"Mental health therapy is a clinical approach to helping people resolve and/or learn to cope with overwhelming emotions and experiences"*, says Danielle. *"In spiritual direction, the focus is on learning to discern God's presence and voice in order to draw nearer to God"*.

How does payment work?

For counseling, she accepts many insurance plans, private pay, as well as offer a reduced rate for those who don't have insurance or are unable to use their insurance with her. For spiritual direction, she works on a sliding scale according to each person's budget."

You can connect with her at: danielle@cultivatecharlotte.com

Watch future Weekly Chatters for mental health tips from Danielle, and please reach out to her or to Pastor Sherri to learn more.

