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The CHATTER

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

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**Follow Jesus.
Make
Disciples.
Transform
the World.**

New Year's Blessings From the Staff of St. Andrew's UMC.

Grace
to
you
and

peace
from
God our
Father

and
the Lord
Jesus
Christ.

Romans 1:7, NRSV

CHURCH NEWS



Our Wednesday night meal program will run from January 16th-April 10th this Spring!

We will be making a few changes to try and make these meals more financially sustainable for the church.

Change 1: Reservations will be **REQUIRED** so we can more accurately plan how much food to cook. We have asked for reservations in the past, but have allowed walk-ins. The number of plates for walk-in customers will be limited. We didn't want to completely disallow walk-ins, because we do have a number of folks that come to eat from the community.

You will be able to make a reservation in the Narthex, in the Family Life Center, by calling the office, and there will be an online sign up available in early January.

Change 2: We will be simplifying the menu a bit and working to get the menu out in advance.

Change 3: No one will be turned away who cannot pay for their meal, but we will be asking folks to speak to a staff member to seek out scholarship money. This isn't to embarrass anyone, but will give us a better idea of how many meals will eat on scholarship and will allow us to budget better.

We recognize the importance of these meals to the Wednesday evening program, so we are doing what we can to make these meals financially sustainable.



CROSS-CULTURAL WORSHIP

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

This is not only for Hispanic/Latino Families! Everyone is welcome to worship here –Pastor David is multi-lingual. If you attend, you will understand and have a wonderful experience. Please join us!

SENIOR ADULTS PROGRAM



HARVESTERS. On Thursday, January 3rd, Harvesters will meet in the Commons Room #1 at 10:30 a.m. We will be playing Mystery Bingo. Please bring a wrapped gift for prizes to this event. Afterwards we will enjoy a delicious meal in the Family Life Center. Invite a friend to join in the fun. Please remember to bring non-parishable food and grocery bags for Loaves and Fishes. They are currently in need of canned fruit, fruit juice, rice, and grocery bags. Thank you.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S CIRCLE

SUSANNA CIRCLE Sunday, January 6th, at 12:30 p.m. in Room #18.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, January 8th, at 12:00 p.m. in the Room #29.

RUTH CIRCLE MEETING Tuesday, January 8th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commons Room #1.

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. Containers may be left on the counter in the Archdale Kitchen labeled for UMW/Urban Ministries.



PRESCHOOL SOUP FUNDRAISER. Please stop by and purchase a container of soup on January 13th after each service in the hallway outside the Family Life Center or in the Narthex. Containers of this delicious soup are \$8.00 each. Proceeds will go towards our Preschool. Mark your calendar for these additional sale dates: February 10th, and March 10th.



CHILDREN'S NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the announcements for Children's Ministry, please contact Sherry Jackson at ChildrensMinistry@standrewsumc.com or 704-553-1327, Ext 103.

FAMILY MINISTRIES NEWS



If you would like to volunteer or need more information about any of the Youth, Adult, and Mission Ministries announcements please contact Kevin Ward, Director of Family Ministries kjw2517@gmail.com or 704-553-1327, ext. 105.



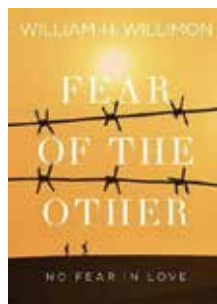
SUNDAY MORNING CONNECTIONS
We are always looking for loving and caring adults who will help teach or substitute teach Sunday School classes for the children. You can teach once a month, two Sundays a month or year long! Please contact Sherry Jackson if you would like more information about our Sunday morning connections time.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DISCIPLESHIP STARTING JANUARY 16TH FOLLOWING THE MEAL.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP OFFERINGS: K.I.C.K. (KID'S IN THE CHRIST'S KINGDOM) 6:15-7:30 P.M. (ROOM #20) – We will have a variety of programs that include game nights, outreach, music, lego lessons, and more. We enjoy hands on learning that incorporates multiple learning styles as we learn different ways we can worship and learn more about how scripture is relevant in our lives today.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY – 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Room #21) each week. This spring, the youth will be doing a series called “videos that teach.” They will watch clips of various movies and then talk about the spiritual lesson that we can glean from the movie. It is a fun light-hearted series that will be a great mid-week break for our youth!



ADULT DISCIPLESHIP “Fear of the Other: No Fear in Love” – Bishop William Willimon has a great book titled “Fear of the Other”, that also has a great 5-week study that goes along with it. This will be a great study, but also a study that will challenge you in many ways. After we work through the study, we will have guest speakers who would be considered “the other” to come in to share their story. The goal of these guest speakers is not to sell anything, but to simply put a “face” to the other. You would not have to do the study to come and hear the guest speakers! Please contact Kevin Ward if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2019.



- Confirmation Retreat - January 25th-27th**
- Ski Trip - February 2nd**
- Spring Retreat - March 22nd-March 24th**
- Parent Day Fundraiser - May 5th**
- Mission Trip - June 23rd-29th**

BULLETIN BOARD



Our 15th season of Room In the Inn (Ministry for the Homeless) has begun. The sign-up board is available in the FLC and in the Narthex. 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.



DO YOU SHOP AT HARRIS TEETER AND HAVE A VIC CARD?

If you do, it's time again to link your VIC card to a specific school so it can receive a percentage of Harris Teeter items you have purchased during this upcoming year. (You will need to re-link your card every

August.) Please tell your cashier the next time you are checking out to link your card to one or both of these schools in our church neighborhood. The cashier can do this on-the-spot. It needs to be linked only once to be in Harris Teeter's system for the entire school year. **St. Andrew's Preschool code is 3232; Montclair Elementary school code is 1729.** Let's raise those participant and earnings numbers at these schools! Thank you for helping. Questions? Call the Preschool at 704-553-7896.



LOAVES AND FISHES

is in need of the following items: canned fruit, fruit juice, rice, and grocery bags. Your generous donates may be dropped off in the marked grocery cart located in the Narthex.



MISSION TRIP TO BRAZIL.

Plans are under way for a possible mission trip to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Liz Snyder (a member of our church) is working with Myers Park United Methodist Church to explore such a trip in the spring or early summer of 2019. Myers Park UMC has hosted numerous trips to Brazil over the past decade, working with a facility there that houses and cares for the elderly and disabled. This mission work in Brazil involves minor repairs/cleaning, but most of the time is spent with the residents. The trip would be for at least 10 days (possibly two weeks). Most meals would be provided at the facility and there is a small hotel nearby at which the team stays. The biggest expense of the trip would be airfare. The total cost of the trip would be \$2,500-\$3,000, similar to the cost of most international mission trips. If anyone is interested in learning more about the mission trip or if you know someone who might be interested, please contact Liz Snyder for more details at 704-905-1078.

"FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU,"
SAYS THE LORD.

"THEY ARE PLANS FOR GOOD
AND NOT FOR DISASTER,
TO GIVE YOU A FUTURE AND A HOPE."

JEREMIAH 29:11

BIRTHDAYS



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| 1 Anthony Dowless | 17 Madison Collard | 24 Ann Evans |
| 1 Peyton Roach | 17 Tate Brinkley | 25 Edwin Morales |
| 2 Elaine Thompson | 18 Julie Hester | 25 Larry Thompson |
| 5 Michael Knotts | 18 Mark Hemenway | 26 Sue Bullock |
| 6 Kelly Henninger | 19 Freddy Holtkamp | 27 Bob Miller |
| 7 Pauline Muntz | 19 Karin Gillespie | 27 Greg Boone |
| 8 Brittany Kingry | 20 Myra Huntley | 27 Meredith Pool |
| 11 Charles Medlin | 20 Landon Sherrill | 28 Nell Slade |
| 11 Kevin Ward | 21 Karen Harris | 28 Abby Poteat |
| 12 Rebecca Gibson | 21 Scott Shepherd | 29 Justin McMurray |
| 12 Allison Pridgeon | 21 Kevin Simpson | |
| 14 Shirley Tripp | 22 Kim Bradley | |
| 16 Faith Jelley | 22 Karla Knotts | |
| 16 Bill Scroggs | 22 Linda Aucoin | |
| 16 Vicki Lawson | 22 Colton Grist | |
| 16 Dennis Slade | 23 Carole Greene | |
| 17 Bobby Hennecy | 23 Amy Penny | |



STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THIS WEEK:

For our members: Hazel Huss, Bonnie White, Abbey Buzzard, Garret Webster and family; Charlene Simpson; Shanieka Brown; Austin Brown and Amanda Martin; Dan Jones, Kevin Ward, Christine Jelley, Traveonia James, Phyllis Cole, Scott Poteat, Pat Smathers, Del Smith, Peter Gamwell, Tom Aucoin, Bee Jones, Carol Hudgins, Jonathan Bickett, Jay Kizer, and Caroline Crabtree.

Praise from: Bola Ogundipe is better after an illness and time spent in the hospital. She is now home.

Pray for our homebound members and members who are able to attend occasionally: Anne Friese, Bonnie White, Frank and Shirley Clontz, and Nell Slade.

Pray for our friends and relatives: Faith Shaw, friend of Jenna Plaisted; Jill Dinwiddie, Louise Hargadon's step-mother; Ray McManus, brother of Jean Wissinger; Rosemary Young; Rosada Lackey's granddaughter, Heather; Chris Picha; Lynda Adair, daughter of Janey Disher; Carol Bryant; Sarah Cope, niece of Phyllis Lazenby; Tamiah Exum, friend of Traveonia James; John and Karen Patrick's brother-in-law, Larry Wood; Dot Kille's great-grandson, Christopher Lindler; Matt Hardy; Rev. Lee Williams; Bee Jones's grandson, Scott Arndt; Betty Gambell's daughter, Cheryl Gambell; Wanda Joines, mother-in-law of Sara Bame Joines; Rob Molazo; Patrick Smith, brother of Rosemary Gloege; Bee Jones' daughter, Laura Arndt; Milly Ash's sister-in-law, Shirley Ash; Sue Bullock's son, Phil Edwards; Leslie Southerland; and Betty Reynolds' son-in-law Babak Emadi.

2019 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee

January 6 Liz Snyder
January 13 Penny Bryant
January 20 Penny Bryant
January 27 Penny Bryant

Recycle Pickup

January To be announced.

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up

January To be announced.

Usher Schedule

January Team Leader Bill Robinson
C.J. Ash
Donald Owens
Mark Collard



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SUNDAY BULLETIN AND THURSDAY EMAIL DEADLINE EVERY TUESDAY AT NOON

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