

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

January 15, 2017

10:30am

A NOTE FROM ST. ANDREW'S STAFF

Thank you from the entire staff for the very generous gift given to each of us for Christmas. It is a pleasure to serve St. Andrew's Church.

THANK YOU

From Jeff Morgan for all the prayers, cards, calls and support he received following the death of his father, from his St. Andrew's family.

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

In 2017, St. Andrew's is reading the Bible together. If you would like to have a Bible that is laid out with the daily readings, they are available through the church office for \$20 (it's a good practice to start a project like this with a new Bible, but not required). You are able to take part in this project using your own Bible.

Daily readings will be listed in the bulletin each week. You can join the conversation by attending Bible Study in the lounge on Monday evenings at 7pm or Wednesday mornings at 9:30am.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 15th – 21st

Sunday – Genesis 46:1 – 50:26	Thursday – Exodus 7:14 – 12:30
Monday – Exodus 1:1 – 4:31	Friday – Exodus 15:22 – 18:27
Tuesday – Exodus 5:1 – 7:13	Saturday – Exodus 19:1 – 21:36
Wednesday – Exodus 12:31 – 15:21	

Do you have a question about something you read this week? Email your questions to the church office (saumcch@gmail.com) or Pastor Richard (richrdwork@msn.com) or text your question to Pastor Richard at 304-692-7175.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2017 are in the narthex. All contributors who use envelopes will find a box with their name on it. Please take yours and, if you see a neighbor's envelopes that you can deliver, that will be greatly appreciated. If you would like to use envelopes, and do not see a box with your name on it, please call the church office to arrange to get them. 856-429-4469. You can also give online. *Contact the Church Office for more information about online giving.*



SUNDAY GREETERS NEEDED



Greeting is a great way to meet everyone at St. Andrew's!! Look for the sign-up display in the Narthex. For more information contact Connie DiRocco at conniedirocco@verizon.net

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Next Sunday, January 22nd we will be receiving an offering for the pastor's discretionary fund. This money is used for people in need, both within the church family and the community. The need is great and funds are low. If you would like to help, an offering plate will be at the back of the sanctuary to accept your donations. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2 year olds – room 201
10:45am – 3 and 4 year olds–room 202, Kindergarten and 1st grade–room 302, 2nd and 3rd grade–room 304, 4th and 5th grades–room 303, 6th – 8th Grades–room 106, 9th – 12th grades–room 105

(Please see one of our ushers for location/directions.)

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday		February/March Network Articles Due
	11:45am	Children's Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
Monday		Church Office Closed – Martin Luther King Holiday
	7pm	Bible Study – Graf Room
	7pm	UMW Executive Meeting – Lounge
Tuesday	7pm	Finance Committee – Lounge
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Administrative Board – Sanctuary
Thursday	6pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 101

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JANUARY 22nd

Sunday	8:30am	UMM Breakfast Meeting – Wesley Hall
		UMW Installation of Officers
		Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection
	11:45am	Children's Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
Monday	7pm	Bible Study – Lounge
Tuesday	10am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
	7pm	Martha Circle – Lounge
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Trustees – Parsonage
Thursday	6pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 101



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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND WELCOME TO VISITORS

(Prepare Prayer Request: You may write a prayer concern or joy on the cards found in each pew. Ushers will collect the prayer cards in the center aisle as the children come forward for the Children's Message.)

INTROIT

* **OPENING HYMN NO. 103** "Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to journey, this and every day,
Following wherever the Spirit leads us.

**God call us to journey:
to the place where God covenants with us,
to receive the new names we are given.**

God calls us to worship together,
To tell future generations the good news.

**God calls us to practice justice,
to bring God's hope to all people.**

God calls us to faithful living,
to trust the One who gives us life.

We are called to journey with God.
**Let us worship God, who walks with us,
this and every day.**

OPENING PRAYER

Generous God, you gave us our voices, no two the same. As you did with Abraham and Sarah, you take and touch our lives and they can become extraordinary. And in your Church, you have gathered us, in your community of common folk and complainers, prophets and puzzled people, you have called us and made a place for us. So, let what we say and do here, what we ponder and decide here, be real for us and honest to you, as you prepare us for the life of the world in which you are praised. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 21:1-8 OT page 2

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

CALL TO PRAYER

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING OUR RESOURCES FOR MINISTRY

OFFERTORY "Canon of Praise" by Natalie Sleeth
Chancel Choir

* RESPONSE NO. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 22: 1-8 OT page 5

MESSAGE "Life is More Than a Journey"

All of us are on a trip. We often call it "the Journey of Life" and there is really nothing else like it. Some believe that this journey begins at our birth and ends at our death. But that is really a trip that goes nowhere. What God wants for us is so much more.

* **CLOSING HYMN NO. 128** "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeters: Oskar and Barbara Gmunder

Liturgist: Marilyn Ivers

Acolyte: Madeleine Griffis

Ushers: Dave Layton, Peter Barton, Cesar DeGuzman,
Kent Fegley, Lois Stawicki

Audio: Tom Bianco III, Mark Corcoran, Dale Osterman



We are glad you are here. Please help us get to know you by filling out the "Welcome Visitor" brochure found in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate. If you have any questions, please ask one of our ushers. Welcome to St. Andrew's.

NURSERY CARE

For those of you with children age 2 and under, we have a nursery in room 201. (Please see one of our ushers for location/directions.) It is professionally staffed by Jennie Armour, a lovely young woman who has been caring for children for many years. **In addition, there is a rocking chair available in the back of the sanctuary so you can comfort your child and remain in the worship service.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

Kay Coyle, 3 Thornhill Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003; Darrell Ernst, 43 Harvard Road, Voorhees, NJ 08043; Ina Jeronimus, 99 East Main Street, Marlton, NJ 08053; Eustace Kangaju, 17 Snyder Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Rose DeGuzman, 1005 Edgemoor Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Donna Shoaf, 712 Grove Street, Haddonfield, NJ 08033

SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS:

Ina Jeronimus

99 East Main Street, Marlton, NJ 08053

We will lift up a shut-in member each week. We hope you will pray for them, give them a call, send a card or drop in and visit them. If you know anyone who could be on our list, please contact the church office.

ST. ANDREW'S EXTENDS PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To Jeff Morgan on the death of his father, William Morgan. Please keep Jeff and his family in your prayers during this time.

SAVE THE DATE

Have you ever wondered about the church budget? How much does it cost to heat the church? How much money do we spend on missions or our music program or our youth program? Get the answers to these questions and more at a "Lunch and Learn" on Sunday, January 29, after the worship service. There's no football that day, so you should be able to make it! Look for more information in the coming weeks.

NEW AND GENTLY USED BOOKS NEEDED!!

Today is the last day that the Gateway South Poverty Task Force is collecting new and gently used books for a "Pop-up Library" that will be on site at food distribution centers and other locations. This library will make free books available to folks who may not have access to quality literature.

Books will be tagged and sorted at the Pine Hill UMC starting at 9am tomorrow (Monday, January 16th MLK Day). Feel free to help out!! Look for the donation barrel in the lobby and place your book donations there. Thank you for your support!

HAITI MISSION TRIP

St. Andrews will have its first Mission Team leaving for Haiti to visit Wayom Timoun Orphanage on February 17th! The Mission Team will be collecting the packages for sponsored children over the next month. Please have all packages for your assigned child in the Narthex or church office by January 28th. Also, please to include \$5.00 to offset shipping costs.

If you need information about your child's name, size, etc., please contact Kristen Rone at [856-625-9852](tel:856-625-9852) or kristenrone@verizon.net. Additionally, if you don't have an assigned child but would like to contribute please consider donating a basketball or soccer ball to be given to the children of Wayom Timoun or children in the community. Thank you for your support.

CHERRY HILL FOOD PANTRY

Food donations are always necessary throughout the year. To serve needy families with a cart of food monthly, St Andrew's is focusing on specific items each month that the pantry needs. We will collect **coffee, pancake mix and pancake syrup on Sunday, February 5th**.

SUNDAY SINGERS

Are you ready to try something new? Be part of the music here at St. Andrew's when the spirit moves you! No commitment necessary. No need to worry about weeknight rehearsals. All you have to do is come a little bit early any 2nd Sunday of the month you'd like to sing! This ever-changing group called Sunday Singers will learn a new song and sing it as an anthem all in one morning. Rehearsal will begin at 9:30am, and by the start of the service, you will be ready to worship God with a brand-new song! A choice of sheet music or word sheets will be available to each singer so you don't have to worry about your music reading ability. Sunday Singers will meet and sing on the 2nd Sunday starting on February 12th. Contact Katharine Baer with any questions. See you then!

THANK YOU FROM LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET

for your extremely generous donations to the Giving Tree at Christmastime!!! Because of you, we received:

343 pairs of socks	7 pair of pajamas
460 pair of underwear	1 pair of slippers
6 pair of gloves	1 scarf
2 hats	



Just a little side note – we needed a pair of pajamas in a size we didn't have in the room, so we ran down to the Giving Tree and found exactly what we needed! We are so very grateful! God bless each and every person who contributed to our mission.

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER IN FEBRUARY

The Neighborhood Center has been a presence in Camden for 104 years! At any given time, there are babies as young as two months to senior citizens in their eighties utilizing the Center's many programs. Individuals in need of food are provided meals through the Community Kitchen, the Emergency Bagged Food Program, and the Urban Community Farm. *Sages*, the senior adult program provides transportation to and from the Center for a time of Christian Fellowship and enrichment programs. Children have the opportunity to hear the good news of God's love through their Childcare Learning Center, After School Care, Teen Leadership and the summer enrichment program—Kumbaya.

Each of these existing programs is growing, and this growth is a testimony to the continuing needs of the Camden community. Visit their website at www.ncicamden.org or visit the Center on Facebook. Please help the Neighborhood Center with your prayers, time and contributions.

During the month of February, become a Friend of the Neighborhood Center by donating \$5.00 or more to their vital mission. Place your donation into the **PINK envelope** located in a pew pocket, and either put it in the collection plate or hand it to Marcia or Joe Schmid. Thank you for your generosity!