

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

10:30am

WORDS OF WELCOME

We welcome each of you to God's house. As we gather to draw near to God, may we also draw near to those worshiping with us.

PRELUDE

"Rise and Shine"
Bell Choir

arr. Dennis Robert

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

HYMN NO. 139

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

God comes into a world filled with uncertainties and darkness.

God seeks out the voids of belief and conviction.

God embraces the wounded and broken.

God knocks down the walls of division and strife.

God is the candle shining in the darkness of our days.

God is the light of our lives.

God is the one who makes all things new.

Praise be to God, now and forevermore!

OPENING PRAYER

**Loving God,
whose touch can heal the broken places of life,
touch us today...**

**You who heal the sick and liberate the imprisoned,
who brings justice in the midst of oppression
and strength in the midst of weakness,
pour out your spirit of power upon us today.**

**Open our hearts to new faithfulness,
redirect our waywardness,**

and hold us gently in your goodness.

May your name be glorified in us and through us.

**We ask it through Christ Jesus,
our brother and our friend. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 40:21-31

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

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

COMMISSIONING MISSION TEAMS TO HAITI AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

9am – Study Class for Adults – Graf Room

10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2-year olds – room 201

10:45am – 3 & 4-year olds – Room 202; Kindergarten - 1st grade–Room 302,

2nd - 3rd grade–Room 304; 4th - 5th grades–Room 303;

6th - 8th Grades and 9th – 12th grades remain in the service

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

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday		Communion and Food Pantry Collection
	Noon	Children's Choir – Choir Room
Monday	7pm	Bible Study – Lounge <i>Livestream available</i>
Tuesday	5:15pm	St. Andrew's works at Cherry Hill Food Pantry
	7pm	Missions Committee - Lounge
Wednesday		Mission Team leaves for Haiti
	9:30am	<i>NO BIBLE STUDY TODAY</i>
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	3pm	Cathedral Kitchen
Thursday	10am	St. Andrew's works at Cherry Hill Food Pantry
	6:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Saturday	2pm	Hilltop Valentine Party – Wesley Hall

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11

Sunday	Noon	Children's Choir – Choir Room
	6pm	Youth Game Night – Lounge
Monday	7pm	<i>NO BIBLE STUDY TONIGHT</i>
Tuesday		Mission Team leaves for Dominican Republic
	10am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
Wednesday		ASH WEDNESDAY
	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	SPRC – Graf Room
Thursday	11:15am	Esther Circle – Kaminski's and Graf Room
	6:30pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary



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Ellen Youssefian and Lauren Aloia, Pianists

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PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY BEGINS LIVE-STREAMING

The Pastor's Bible Study on Monday evening at 7pm will begin live-streaming on St. Andrew's Facebook page. Questions and comments can be sent in during the live stream. If you are not available at that time, the session will be saved on the Facebook page and can be viewed later.

The current study is about forgiveness. All are welcome. We hope you will join the conversation! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Richard at richrdwork@msn.com or 856-429-4469.

CHERRY HILL FOOD PANTRY NEWS

St Andrew's will send volunteers to the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Can you help out? We will join with Christ the King Catholic Church in supplying volunteers - each church will supply 6 volunteers for each session:

Tuesday 2/6 (5:15pm-7:30 pm) and Thursday 2/8 (10am-1:00pm)

Volunteers are needed to help shoppers as they shop for food in the pantry's "grocery store" setting and assist in any other tasks that are needed. If you haven't experienced the Cherry Hill Food Pantry yet, we encourage you to do so! If you have, we would appreciate your support once again. There are morning and evening opportunities available. For more information, please contact Ken Ferguson at [856-261-4976](tel:856-261-4976) or kenneth.brian.ferguson@gmail.com.

On the first Sunday of each month, we collect food for the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Today we are collecting pancake syrup, coffee and strawberry jelly, which can be placed in the baskets on the altar and the lobby. Thank you for your support!



IHOC MALL WALK



On Sunday, February 25th, the Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council (IHOC) will hold its 12th annual Mall Walk for the homeless at the Echelon Towne Center in Voorhees. Registration forms and information are in the narthex. Be sure to pick up a mission statement as well! It tells you all you need to know about IHOC. The Walk begins at 1pm. If you are unable to attend the walk, perhaps consider a financial donation to toward the walk. You will be supporting a program that has been transforming lives of homeless men throughout Camden County for over 25 years. This is a fun afternoon for kids and adults alike!! For more information, please contact Ron Ordonez at RonOrdonez@hotmail.com. Or 856-524-9177.

ESTHER CIRCLE

On Thursday, February 8th at 11:15am, the Esther Circle will meet for lunch at Kaminski's Restaurant, 1424 Brace Road, Cherry Hill. After lunch, they will return to St. Andrew's for their meeting and program in the Graf Room. If you would like to join in, please contact circle leaders Yvonne Moore 856-667-1161 or Claire Beaverson 856-428-6863 and let them know.



Women's Circle

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 "He is Exalted" by Twila Paris
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

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:29-39 NT page 35
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "Simply Irresistible" Rev. Work

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION page 13

* **HYMN NO. 451** "Be Thou My Vision"

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeter: Kent and Barbara Fegley

Acolyte: Kaitlyn Bianco

Liturgist: Sandy Weaver

Ushers: Jerry Jones, Connie DiRocco, Dan Proulx, Ken Saunders, and Rob Thompson

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. Place it in the offering plate. If you have any questions, please ask one of our ushers. Welcome to St. Andrew's.



We have a special place for our little ones. Children age 2 and under are invited to explore our nursery in room 301! (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 Thoughts and Prayers

Jim Miller, 170 E. Greentree Road, Apt. 2239, Marlton, NJ 08053; Bill Olsen, 170 E. Greentree Road, Apt. 2229, Marlton, NJ 08053; Kay Coyle, 3 Thornhill Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003; Connie Visconti, 1919 Olney Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Vince Anderer, 130 Whistler Green Court, Marlton, NJ 08053; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Dorothy Lauer, 19 Snapdragon Lane, Marlton, NJ 08053; Susan Kruse, 1022 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Kathryn Phillips, 460 Haddon Ave, Collingswood, NJ 08108.

We also lift up a shut-in member each week.

Merk Raffensberger

**Lutheran Crossings Assisted Living, 255 E Main Street, Apt 2
Moorestown, NJ 08057**

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.

ELIZABETH CIRCLE IS GROWING.....AND MOVING!!!



Beginning today, and on the first Sunday of each month from 9 – 10am, the women of Elizabeth Circle will meet in the lounge from 9-10am to accommodate their growing circle. Coffee that's usually in the lounge will be served in the Graf Room on the first Sunday of each month.

Any women who wish to attend the circle meeting are welcome! A program is presented at each meeting and light refreshments are served. Contact Lydia Work at lydiawork@msn.com for more information.

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

For 104 years, **The Neighborhood Center**, a United Methodist Women's national mission, has served the Camden community helping women, children and families.



The center's programs include daycare, after-school and summer camp for children along with an evening teen program. Senior citizens meet for fellowship and enrichment programs. The Community Kitchen and food pantry, nutritional programs, and flash grocery store at Thanksgiving —at no cost to the client—offers an additional bridge to the community.

Let's continue their story... Help the Center achieve its goals by donating generously \$5 or more this February during Neighborhood Center Month. Place your donation into the PINK envelope located in a pew pocket, and put it in the collection plate. Visit the Center's website at www.neighborhoodrising.org or their Facebook page to see how they are breaking the cycle of poverty in the Camden community.

CALLING ALL YOUTH!!

Our next youth meeting is Sunday, February 11th at 6pm in the lounge. We will have a game night and work on plans for our Luau Fundraising dinner on March 10th. We hope to see you there! Contact Ron Ordonez at RonOrdonez@hotmail.com. Or 856-524-9177 for more information or to RSVP.

COMMISSIONING OF MISSION TEAMS

This morning, we commission mission teams who will travel to Haiti and to the Dominican Republic this month. Our Haiti team leaves on February 7th and returns on February 12th. The Dominican Republic team leaves on February 13th and returns on February 19th. Please keep them in prayer as they travel and as they work to bring God's love to communities in need.



UNITED METHODIST MEN INVITE YOU TO BRUNCH!



On Sunday, February 18th, the United Methodist Men will hold their annual Sweetheart's Brunch after worship service in Wesley Hall. All are invited to attend!! You will enjoy a wonderful brunch and great fellowship. For more information, please contact Ken Saunders at kennethpsaunders@yahoo.com or ask any of our United Methodist Men!!

HILLTOP VALENTINE PARTY

On Saturday, February 10th, St. Andrew's will host the men from Hilltop House for their annual Valentine's party. The party will be held in Wesley Hall from 2pm – 6pm. Anyone who would like to help out is welcome!



St. Andrew's volunteers at Cathedral Kitchen in Camden on the first Wednesday of the month. Email or call Lois Stawicki at [\(856\) 768-3011](tel:8567683011) or staloey@aol.com to find out about volunteering. Next date to volunteer is Wednesday, February 7th from 3pm to 6pm. Carpool available!

During the month of January, we will collect jelly in squeeze bottles and jars. Your donations can be placed "Cathedral Kitchen Shopping Cart" located in the lobby. Thank you for your support!!

THE YOUTH ARE HAVING A LUAU!!



On Saturday, March 10th, St. Andrew's Youth invite you all to a Luau in Wesley Hall! Come out and support our youth as this is the fundraising dinner for their summer mission trip to Lynn/Boston, Massachusetts. Please mark your calendars for this event that you won't want to miss!! Look for more information in upcoming bulletins.

EXERCISE HERE AT ST. ANDREW'S

Right here at St. Andrew's, we offer a variety of exercise classes with classes throughout the week. There is something for everyone: Pilates, Yoga, Tai Chi, and Dance/Kick/Punch. No contracts, low prices, great instructors, lots of fun and all proceeds benefit the ministries of St. Andrew's. Registration forms are available in the lobby and on our website at saumcnj.org. **SPECIAL: TRY ONE CLASS OF YOUR CHOICE FOR FREE!!!** For more information, contact Barbara Hansen at 609-706-3552 or Barbara.Hansen3428@gmail.com.

