

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

In 2017, St. Andrew's is reading the Bible together. Daily readings are 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 FEBRUARY 19th – FEBRUARY 25th

Sunday—Joshua 1:1 to 3:17

Monday—Joshua 4:1 to 6:27

Tuesday—Joshua 7:1 to 11:23

Wednesday—Joshua 12:1 to 17:18

Thursday—Joshua 18:1 to 24:33

Friday—Judges 1:1 to 3:6

Saturday—Judges 3:7 to 5:31

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.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – March 1st

This year, St. Andrew's will host the Ash Wednesday Service with Haddonfield UMC. The service will begin at 7pm in the sanctuary.

RESTAURANT OF THE MONTH

Passariello's Restaurant (111 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees) is our Restaurant of the Month – all weekend long! Stop in anytime on Saturday February 25th or Sunday, February 26th and Passariello's will donate 20% of your table's check to St. Andrew's. You must present a coupon that is available in the lobby, on St. Andrew's Online or on our website at www.saumcni.org. Sample menus are available in the lobby. Thanks for your support!!



PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Next Sunday, February 26th, 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.

WINTER 2017 EXERCISE PROGRAM ~ FREE OFFER

You are cordially invited to come out to try one of our exercise classes at **NO CHARGE** in February. Here are the classes:

Mondays 5:45pm Cardio/Strength

Thursday 6:00pm Yoga

Mondays 7:00pm Tai Chi/Qi Gong

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Tuesday 9:30am Pilates

Friday 9:30am Pilates

Tuesday 6:00pm Dance/Kick/Punch

Tai Chi Classes cost \$10 per class. All others cost \$8 per class. For more information, contact Barbara Hansen at Barbara.Hansen3428@gmail.com or 609-706-3552. Take advantage of this great offer!

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	11:45am	Children's Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
Monday		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Trustees – Conference Room
	7pm	Education Committee – Graf Room
Thursday	6pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
Saturday	All Day	Passariello's Restaurant Fundraiser
	9am	Church Work Day

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26th

Sunday	8:45am	Discretionary Fund Offering
	11:45am	Confirmation Class – Room 303
	11:45am	Children's Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
	1pm	IHOC Mall Walk – Voorhees Town Center
	All Day	Passariello's Restaurant Fundraiser
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
	3pm	Cathedral Kitchen
	7pm	Ash Wednesday Service – Sanctuary
Thursday	Noon	Keenagers – Wesley Hall
	12:30pm	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	6pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 101



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Ellen Youssefian and Lauren Aloia, Pianists

Megan Falcone, Director, St. Andrew's Nursery School and Kindergarten

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

February 19, 2017

10:30am

WORDS OF WELCOME

We worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Grace and peace be with you all as we come before God.

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. 126** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

God, we are aliens and sojourners in this world.

but you invite us to be your guests.

You lavishly offer us your hospitality

and lovingly welcome us into your family.

You invite us to share in the abundance of your kingdom.

You have shown us that providing hospitality to strangers opens a doorway into the Kingdom of God.

Remind us that when we offer hospitality to others,

we are receiving Christ into our midst and so fulfilling the law of love.

We open our hearts to embrace the stranger, the friend, the rich and the poor,

We open our lives to offer a generous heart toward all.

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, teach us to open our shuttered hearts and our boarded-up spirits with bold generosity and with courageous hospitality. Estranged and alienated so often and from so much, sustain us in making circles of welcome out of gatherings of strangers. Around the table of wonder, meet us in abundance, drawing out our stories and showing us how to weave together community with steadfast love. When we are cast out and wandering, may we find welcome and compassion that calls us back into accountable relationship, into the ways of healing, into the ways of peace. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Deuteronomy 6:1-9 OT page 163

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 "How Firm A Foundation" arr. Dan Forrest
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 Deuteronomy 30:11-20 OT page 186

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Wanderer" by U2 and Johnny Cash
Leo Breslin

MESSAGE "I Went Out Walking....." Stephanie Stawicki

* **CLOSING HYMN NO. 133** "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeter: Bernadette Exley

Acolyte: Collin Kolbe

Liturgist: Lisa Connor

Ushers: Dave Layton, Peter Barton, Cesar DeGuzman, Chuck Edgerton, 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.***

THANK YOU

From the Kangaju family for all your prayers and cards during Eustace's illness. We appreciate your words of encouragement and hope. We thank God for our church family, and we thank you for seeing us through these tough days.

SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS:

Fran Mac Donald

224 N. Brookfield Drive, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

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.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Sandy Daniels, 103 Ramblewood Road, Moorestown, NJ 08057; Susan Kruse, 1022 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Donna Shoaf, 712 Grove Street, Haddonfield, NJ 08033; Eustace Kangaju, 17 Snyder Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Rose DeGuzman, 1005 Edgemoor Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

CHURCH WORK DAY



Help Needed

will be on Saturday, February 25th from 9am to Noon. We have one outside task if the weather permits – painting. Our inside tasks include replacing window shades, replacing stage curtain ropes, installing thermostat covers, replacing an exhaust fan, replacing a shelf, installing broom hooks and painting the walls of the drain closet. Anybody with the skills or interest to accomplish these tasks is invited to join us.

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

The Neighborhood Center in Camden is now offering catering services! Their new Executive Chef Stacy Clarke can whip up nutritious and delicious food for your next event. All the catering proceeds benefit Camden teenagers in the Teen Leadership Program. Give the Neighborhood Center a call at 856-365-1674 for catering information.

Be part of the Neighborhood Center story... Help the Center achieve its goals by generously donating \$5 or more during Neighborhood Center Month. Place your donation in the PINK envelope located in a pew pocket, and either put it in the collection plate or hand it to Marcia or Joe Schmid. Visit their Facebook page or website at www.neighborhoodrising.org.



NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER WINTER GALA



Join the Neighborhood Center for their 104th Winter Gala on March 11 at the Camden County Boathouse. The Gala is the primary source of funds for their After School and Evening Teen programs. It promises to be a memorable "Evening with RCA Victor" featuring live entertainment, a meet and greet with the Center's youth and music by the Stan Maltz Big Band. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to www.NEIGHBORHOODRISING.COR/GALA/GALA-TICKETS.



Join the **Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council** and dozens of other congregations for their biggest fundraising event on Sunday, February 26th for their 11th annual "Mall Walk for the Homeless" at the Voorhees Town Center (Echelon Mall). It will be loads of fun, with prizes and live entertainment. Registration

starts at 1:30pm, walk starts at 2:30pm. Registration forms are available in the narthex. For any additional questions, see Ron Ordonez or call 856-524-9177.

LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Little Hands Little Feet just received a large delivery of clothing that needs to be sorted. We could use some help!! If you can help out, meet us in Room 307 (above the gym) at the following times:

- Wednesday mornings at 10am-noon (every week)
- Thursday afternoon, March 2nd from 12:30-3:00pm

Any time you can spare will be appreciated. For more information, contact Ruth Birchmeier at ruthb14@hotmail.com or 857-261-7301.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT

Thanks to our kindergarten – 3rd grade children who decorated Valentine bags for Cathedral Kitchen. There were 33 bags, decorated with hearts and stuffed with fun Valentine sticker activities, a bookmark and snack. The bags will be given out to children at Cathedral Kitchen as a special surprise on Valentine's Day!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

"April Showers" For Collingswood Manor

Auxiliaries of the United Methodist Church are planning an "April Showers" collection for the residents of Collingswood Manor. If you have items you would like to donate, a box will be in the narthex from February 26 to March 19. All items will go to Collingswood Manor residents.

Suggested items are:

Dish Cloths	Pens and Pencils	Note Paper
Aftershave	Tea Towels	Needle/Thread
Comb/Brush	Dish Soap	Paper Napkins
Sponges	Kleenex	Large Bar Soap
Shower Cap	Laundry Soap	Shampoo
Paper Towels	Poly-Grip	Hand Lotion
Handy Wipes	Q-Tips	Puzzle Books
Baby Powder	Scotch Tape	Toothpaste
Safety Pins	Deodorant	Cotton Balls
Emery Boards	Wash Cloths	Denture
Ziplock Sandwich Bags	Socks (no knee high Stockings)	Toothpaste