

### MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL OFFERING

This year, the Mother's Day offering will be used to fund our Vacation Bible School program to be held from July 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. This program has been growing each year and is a fun learning experience for all who attend. You can make an offering by using the envelope provided in the box of envelopes, online at [saumcnj.org](http://saumcnj.org) (Online Giving option), or by placing a check in the offering plate with "Mother's Day" in the memo section. Thank you for your support of this growing program.

### ST. ANDREW'S PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUNDS



The Endowment provides our congregation with a perpetual source of income in support of the church's ministries and missions, as well as providing our membership a vehicle through which to make legacy gifts to the church. For more information, contact Richelle Maestro, our Finance Committee chair at (856)429-3997.

### ST. ANDREW'S BOOK CLUB

Do you enjoy reading? Do you enjoy discussing what you've read with others over a nice cup of tea? Then our book club is for you! We meet at 7:30 pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 162 Kirkbride Rd in Voorhees (adjacent to the Echelon Mall). Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> when we'll be reviewing Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult.

If you can't make the May meeting, our first book in September will be The Bookshop at Water's End by Patti Callahan Henry. Read it over the summer and join us in September. We're eager for you to join us! If you have any questions, contact Pauline Kohl at 856-772-2712 or online at [merlepauline@comcast.net](mailto:merlepauline@comcast.net).

### COUNTING TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are looking for a few people who would like to help out counting the collection on Sunday mornings. You will be assigned to a team that will count money one Sunday each month after church.

If you are not able to make a regular commitment to one Sunday each month but would still like to help out, we also need people who are willing to serve as substitutes on an as needed basis when one of our regular counters cannot make it. Please contact the church office at 856-429-4469 or Richelle Maestro at 856-429-3997 if you are able to help.

### CHAPERONES NEEDED FOR YOUTH MISSION TRIP

We are in need of two chaperones to accompany our Youth Mission Team to Lynn, Massachusetts from July 29-August 3: one male chaperone and a male or female chaperone. If you are interested, please contact the church office at 856-429-4469 or [saumcch@gmail.com](mailto:saumcch@gmail.com). We can provide answers to any questions and the paperwork for a background check. Thank you!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

9:00am Adult Bible Study in the Graf Room  
10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2 year olds – room 201  
10:45am – 3 and 4 year olds–room 202, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade–room 302, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade–room 304, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade – room 105, 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade room 106.

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

### ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday Mother's Day  
Monday 7pm Bible Study – Lounge  
Tuesday 7pm Book Club – 162 Kirkbride Road, Voorhees  
Wednesday 9:30am Bible Study – Lounge  
10am Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307  
Thursday 6pm Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary  
Friday 6pm DCP&P Prom – Wesley Hall

### ACTIVITIES WEEK OF MAY 20<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 10:45am Music Sunday during Sunday School Class  
11:45am Positive Connections Visitation Event  
11:45am Sunday School Teacher's meeting – Room 303  
Noon Children's Choir Rehearsal – Room 101  
Sunday-Tuesday Greater NJ Annual Conference – Wildwood, NJ  
Monday 6pm UMW Salad Supper – Wesley Hall  
7pm UMW Mission Event – Wesley Hall  
7pm Bible Study – Lounge  
Tuesday 10am Needlecrafters – Conference Room  
Wednesday 9:30am Bible Study – Lounge  
10am Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307  
7pm Trustees – Conference Room  
Thursday 6pm Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Pastor Richard will be on vacation from Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have a need to reach him during this time, please contact the church office. Thank you!!



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# St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

May 13, 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30am

### HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Welcome to worship! A special greeting today to moms, grandmoms and mother-figures. The relationships that bless our lives are gifts of God's love. Alleluia!

### 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 after the scripture reading.)*

**INTROIT** "You Are the Hands" by Lynn Shaw Bailey, Becki Slage Mayo  
Sung by Chancel Choir women with mothers and children

\* **HYMN NO. 158** "Come, Christians, Join the Song"

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Today is a celebration we call the Festival of the Christian Home.

For many of us, it is also a celebration called Mother's Day.

We are reminded that God has called up together in relationships of love, nurture, and growth that we may witness to God's love and power in our lives.

**We celebrate the many ways in which families are designed, from the single person who is in family with God, to the multitude of family systems. In the midst of all these differences, God is the constant loving presence with us.**

Praise be to God, who has called us here!

**Praise be to God who continues to bless us.**

### OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

**God of small seeds, intertwining vines, and mighty trees, we come to you this day representing families of all sizes and types. Some of our families are represented by one person, other by several people, and still others by multiple generations. All are called by you to be loving and faithful; to nurture and teach each other the great good news of your compassionate love for us. We honor all families, of all types, all sizes, all configurations. We celebrate that you have called us to be your family members, brothers and sisters together in you. Open our hearts and spirits today to hear your words of instruction and witness for us. Help us to prepare to go from this place in joy to serve you all of our days. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** 1 John 5:9-13 NT page 241

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### THE GIFT OF PARENTING: The Hope of Fostering

### CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

### 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.

## SHARING OUR RESOURCES FOR MINISTRY

**OFFERTORY** "Our Story Goes On" by D. Shire, R. Maltby  
Sarah Baumgarten, soloist from "Babe" the musical

### \* 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** John 17:6-19 NT page 111

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE** "A Sacred Trust" Rev Work

On the day we remember those who mothered us, we hear of the deep care Jesus had for the disciples. Like a caring parent, Jesus desires for God to protect and equip those he loves. We, too, are a part of this sacred trust.

\* **HYMN** (printed in the bulletin) "In Christ Alone"

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **POSTLUDE**

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

### Serving our church this morning...

**Greeters:** David, Susan, Matthew and Justin Malec

**Acolyte:** Madison McDermott

**Liturgist:** Lee Manns

**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" card found on the back of the prayer request card 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 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 CHRIST ALONE

### *In our prayers*

Connie Visconte, 1919 Olney Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003; Irene Hubbard, 3329 Hailey Drive, Marlton, NJ 08053; Jim Miller, 170 E. Greentree Road, Apt 2239, Marlton, NJ 08053; Phil Claxton, 113 Garfield Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Vince Anderer, 130 Whistler Green Court, Marlton, NJ 08053; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

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

**Kathryn Phillips**

**460 Haddon Avenue, Collingswood, NJ 08108**

We hope you will pray for them, give them a call, send a card or visit them. If you know anyone who could be on our list, please call the church office.



**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given today by Wayne and Sandy Weaver in loving memory of their daughter, Joyce on her birthday.



## VISITATION EVENT

Positive Connection, our visitation ministry, is



**St. Andrew's United Methodist Women** will hold their annual Salad Supper and Mission Event on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> and everyone is welcome to join us!!

Salad Supper: join us at 6pm.

Bring a salad to share.

Program: join us at 7pm to hear our speaker, Stephane Alphonse from Haiti

Stephane is presently enrolled in the Culinary Program at Cathedral Kitchen in Camden. Stephane's goal is to bring this knowledge back to Haiti in order to establish a soup kitchen feeding program. He will share his insights into the nutritional and health concerns here in New Jersey and in Haiti, suggesting what can be done to help.

hosting their Spring Visitation Event on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> after church service. We are looking for volunteers to help deliver a special care package to approximately 16 members. If you would like to participate in this wonderful event, please see the sign-up sheet in the lobby. Any questions? Contact Mary Layton at 856-489-6648 or Amy McCausland at 856-985-2554.

## SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

Next Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, during Sunday School class, children in grades 3 through 12 are welcome to join in on Music Sunday in Room 304. Children can bring their instruments and will have the opportunity to perform by playing an instrument (or more than one!) or singing. A piano is available in the classroom and there is a CD player for those accompanied on CD. Participants can play more than one selection after all students have had the opportunity to perform.

A sign-up list will be posted in the classroom. If your child does not play a musical instrument, they are most welcomed to come and enjoy their classmates' performances. It's a fun time for all!

## LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET

Our mission team, which provides clothing to children under the care of social services, is currently completely out of these items:

- Boys and Girls socks in size small (toddler)
- Boys underwear in size 10/12.

If you would like to help out, place your donations in the bin on the far side of the lobby. Thank you for helping Little Hands Little Feet provide much-needed clothing to these children. Your generous support is appreciated.