

## READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

In 2017, St. Andrew's is reading the Bible together. Daily readings are listed here each week.

### Bible Readings for the Week of May 28-June 3

Sunday – Psalms 113:1-118:29

Monday – Psalms 119:1-88

Tuesday – Psalms 119:89-176

Wednesday – Psalms 120:1-126:6

Thursday – Psalms 131:1-136:26

Friday – Psalms 137:1-140:13

Saturday – Psalms 141:1-144:15

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

## MISSION TRIP TO HAITI THIS FALL

A team from St. Andrew's will travel to Haiti from September 21-25. If you are interested in going or would like more information about the trip, please contact Pastor Richard at [richrdwork@msn.com](mailto:richrdwork@msn.com) or through the church office at 856-429-4469.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS EVENTS

Today, the youth in this year's Confirmation Class will be leading the worship service. On June 4<sup>th</sup>, which is also Pentecost, these young people will become members of St. Andrew's. Please plan to be here to support them as they take this significant step in their spiritual growth.

## NEW MEMBERS

On June 4<sup>th</sup> we will welcome new members into our family of faith. Any adult who is interested in becoming a member please connect with Pastor Richard (856-429-4469 – [richrdwork@msn.com](mailto:richrdwork@msn.com)) as soon as possible.



CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

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Please notify the church office if you or a family member is graduating from high school, college, graduate school or other post high school program. For a high school graduate, please give name, school,

and future plans. For others, give name, school, and degree or certificate program. Contact the church office at 856-429-4469 [saumcch@gmail.net](mailto:saumcch@gmail.net) We would also like the graduates' photos for the Church Website. E-mail photos to [hooversnj@verizon.net](mailto:hooversnj@verizon.net) or leave them in the office.

## KEENAGERS SUMMER BBQ

Our next meeting is **Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>** (please note the date, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday not the 1<sup>st</sup> due to reservation availability at the park.) when we will enjoy a picnic at the Red Bank Battlefield at 100 Hessian Avenue in National Park, NJ. Join us as we have a good, old fashioned barbeque!! Bring your favorite picnic salad or side dish to share.

Anyone wishing to carpool to the Red Bank Battlefield can meet in the church parking lot at 11:15am. We will leave 11:30am.



Senior Adults Picnic

## 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 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> grades–room 303, 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades–Stay in the worship service.

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

### ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday		Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection
Monday		Memorial Day – Church Office Closed
Tuesday	5:15pm	St. Andrew's at Cherry Hill Food Pantry
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
Thursday	10:15am	St. Andrew's at Cherry Hill Food Pantry

### ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	9am	Elizabeth Circle – Conference Room
	10:30am	Pentecost – Communion
		Confirmation – Reception of New Members
		Music Appreciation Sunday
Tuesday	11am	Anna Circle – Cathedral Kitchen Café & Tour
	5:15pm	St. Andrew's at Cherry Hill Food Pantry
	7pm	Missions – Lounge
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	3pm	Cathedral Kitchen
Thursday	11:15am	Esther Circle – Season's 52 Restaurant
	11:30am	Keenagers Picnic – Red Bank Battlefield



**From Memorial Day to Labor Day,  
the church office will be open  
Monday through Thursday from 8am to  
3:30pm and closed on Friday**



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Ellen Barton, Bell Choir Director

Ellen Youssefian and Lauren Aloia, Pianists

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

# St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

May 28, 2017

Seventh Sunday of Easter

10:30am

Ascension Sunday

WORDS OF WELCOME

Wherever two or three people gather in Christ's name, he is present (Matthew 18:20). We dedicate our time together to his glory. Welcome.

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.)*

\* HYMN NO. 312

"Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Because Jesus ascended and sits at the right hand of God,  
**a new world has broken into ours** -  
a world in which justice does come for the poor,  
freedom comes for the prisoners,  
and healing for the sick.

Because Jesus ascended and sits at the right hand of God,  
**a new community has been formed** –  
a community that loves and cares for all members,  
a family that welcomes all who are abandoned and rejected,  
a place where all find a place of belonging.

Because Jesus ascended and sits at the right hand of God  
**a new creation has begun** –  
all that was distorted is being restored,  
all that is corrupt is being renewed,  
all that was broken is being made whole.

**Because Jesus ascended and sits at the right hand of God,  
God's new world has begun.**

OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

Loving God,  
Like the disciples,  
we too will never fully understand all Ascension means.  
We accept, but do not fully understand.  
We believe, yet we have many questions.  
Help us, despite our uncertainty, to hold firm to the great truth  
that the wonder of Christ Jesus  
goes far beyond anything we can ever imagine,  
and in that faith, may we live each day  
to his glory and honor. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:6-14

NT page 118

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### 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. Amen.

### SHARING OUR RESOURCES FOR MINISTRY

#### OFFERTORY "He's Got the Whole World/This is My Father's World"

Arr. By Joel Raney

Sung by Chancel Choir with Rising Voices

#### \* 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 17:1-11 NT page 111

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE** "Confirming Faith"

This morning, our Confirmation Class will share their thoughts on faith and what it means to be a part of the Church.

\* **HYMN** (see insert) "A Wilderness Wandering People"

\* **BENEDICTION**

\* **POSTLUDE**

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

#### Serving our church this morning...

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

**Acolyte:** Allison Carracci

**Liturgists:** Confirmation Class members

**Ushers:** Barbara Hansen, Karen Bianco, Leo and Amy Breslin, Tim Griffis

**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.

## 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

Martha Shanely, 3234 Hailey Drive, Marlton, NJ 08053; Kathryn Phillips, Medford Leas Rehab, 1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ 08055; Susan Kruse, 1022 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Eustace Kangaju, 17 Snyder Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

## SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS:

Alfreda Dannhauser

99 East Main Street, #104, 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.

## PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Today, 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.



## Vacation Bible School

Where: St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

When: Monday, July 24 – Thursday, July 27

6:00 - 8:00pm

light dinner, if needed, starts at 5:45

\*\*for registered children only\*\*

Who: Children 4 years old through finished 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Pick up registration forms at the welcome desk in the lobby

For more information contact Ellen Barton – [bartonep98@comcast.net](mailto:bartonep98@comcast.net) or [SAUMCCH@gmail.com](mailto:SAUMCCH@gmail.com)

## CAMPUS COOKIE MINISTRY UPDATE

Eighteen boxes of cookies and candy were packed and delivered to our college students and one military member on April 23. Many thanks to ALL who baked a multitude of sweet treats for those hungry young men and women in their time of need – EXAMS! Whether you made cookies, donated money towards expenses, or helped pack the boxes, the Cookie Ministry team thanks you for your contribution to support our college students during this stressful time of their academic year and our military members serving their country.

## ON-LINE GIVING



If you think you may miss church services this summer due to travel or other commitments, consider setting up an automatic giving schedule. Your consistent support is vital to our church, especially during the summer months. To set up a recurring contribution or to make a one-time contribution, visit our website [saumcnj.org](http://saumcnj.org) and look for "Giving On-line".

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND SUNDAY

On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, our Sunday School classes in Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will enjoy Playground Sunday. Students can report to their classrooms for attendance and will then go to the playground. Junior and Senior High classes will remain in the service. Parents, please pick children up on the playground after worship service.

## ST. ANDREW'S VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHERRY HILL FOOD PANTRY

St. Andrew's will provide volunteers at the Food Pantry beginning May 30. Eight St. Andrew's volunteers are needed for each session:

Tuesday May 30 (5:15pm-7:30 pm)

Thursday June 1 (10:15am-1:00 pm)

Tuesday June 6 (5:15pm-7:30pm)

Thursday June 8 (10:15am-1:00pm)



If interested in volunteering, you can call Ken Ferguson at [856-261-4976](tel:856-261-4976) or [Kenneth.brian.ferguson@gmail.com](mailto:Kenneth.brian.ferguson@gmail.com).



In June, donations of cleaning supplies (Lysol/Clorox Wipes, Brillo/SOS Pads, Green Sponge Scouring Pads, Windex etc., or any generic brand) can be placed in the "Cathedral Kitchen Shopping Cart" located in the Narthex.

If you are interested in volunteering at Cathedral Kitchen, please email or call Lois Stawicki at [staloey@aol.com](mailto:staloey@aol.com) or [\(856\) 768-3011](tel:856-768-3011). Next date to volunteer: Wednesday, June 7. We meet at 3:00 P. M., in St. Andrew's parking lot, carpool, and return around 5:30 P. M.



## EXERCISE AT ST. ANDREW'S

Friendly and affordable exercise that supports the ministries of St. Andrew's! Classes run through July.

### Class Schedule:

Mondays, 5:45 p.m. Interval Cardio/Strength Training – Last Class 7/24

Mondays, 7 p.m. Tai Chi/Qi Gong – Last Class 8/14

Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. Pilates – Last Class 7/25

Tuesday, 6 p.m. Dance/Kick/Punch – Cardio – Last Class 7/25

Thursday, 6 p.m. Yoga – Last Class 7/27 (no class 6/29)

Thursdays, 7 p.m. Tai Chi/Qi Gong – Last Class 8/17

Friday, 9:30 a.m. Pilates – Last Class 6/16

Cost is \$10 per class. Try a class for free!! Contact Barbara Hansen at 856-795-3428 for more info.