

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST

Today we are accepting donations for the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Donations can be placed in the baskets in the sanctuary.



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Summer Sunday School classes have begun. There are two classes for children, plus the nursery.

- Three year olds through 1st grade will meet in room 304.
- Second through sixth grades will meet in room 303.
- Junior and senior high may attend services or sign up to volunteer as a youth assistant in Summer Sunday School (two per week).

We will need two adults every Sunday. Please consider volunteering for a week or more. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Lessons are provided.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!



Please join us on our "CAVE QUEST"

Kids will spend each evening spelunking through activity stations with their Cave Crews (small groups of kids and a leader). Every station is designed to reinforce the daily Bible Point in a hands-on, interactive way that keeps everyone engaged.

WHEN: Monday, July 18th - Friday, July 22nd from 6:00pm-8:30pm

WHO: Pre-K children up to those children who have just completed 5th Grade.

THERE WILL BE BIBLE STORIES – SNACKS – GAMES – CRAFTS – AND LOTS MORE

Find registration forms in the narthex or at www.saumcnj.org. For more information about registration or volunteering, contact VBS Director, Ellen Barton, at bartonep98@comcast.net or 856-742-6088.



Be a VBS Volunteer!

VOLUNTEERS

Of all ages, talents and energy levels are needed and welcome. If you would like to be one of our volunteers, contact Ellen at the above email address or phone number. Thank you so much!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2 year olds – room 201
10:45am – Classes for 3 year olds to 1st grade in room 304;
2nd to 6th grades in room 303, 7th - 12th grades remain in service
(Please see one of our ushers for location/directions.)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday		Communion & Food Pantry Collection
Monday		HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY Church office closed
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	3pm	Cathedral Kitchen
	7pm	Education Committee – Graf Room
	7pm	Missions-Intern Dinner Planning Meeting – Conference Room

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JULY 10th

Sunday	10:30am	Baptisms
Monday	7pm	Golf Tournament Committee – Graf Room
Tuesday	10am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307

UNDIES SUNDAY

On July 17th, we will be taking donations of children's underwear for our Little Hands Little Feet Clothing program. We need children's underwear of all sizes **ESPECIALLY Boy's sized 6-8 and 10-12**. Thank you for your generosity.



SAVE THE DATE

ST. ANDREW'S GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 30, 2016

RON JAWORSKI'S RAMBLEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. Richard Work, Jr., Pastor
Meredith Blanchard and Colleen McQuade, Office Administrators
Katharine Baer, Director of Music
Ellen Barton, Bell Choir Director
Irina Nenartovich, Organist

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

July 3, 2016

10:30am

Words of Welcome

“Sing the praises of the LORD, you his faithful people; praise his holy name”
(Psalm 30:4, NIV). Welcome to worship.

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

* **HYMN** “It is God Who Holds the Nations”

Sung to the tune of BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC

It is God who holds the nations in the hollow of his hand;
It is God whose light is shining in the darkness of the land;
It is God who builds his City on the Rock and not on sand:
May the living God be praised!

Refrain: Glory, Glory Hallelujah
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It is God whose purpose summons us to use the present hour;
Who recalls us to our senses when a nation's life turns sour;
In the discipline of freedom we shall know his saving power:
May the living God be praised!

Refrain

When a thankful nation, looking back, has cause to celebrate
Those who win our admiration by their service to the state;
When self-giving is a measure of the greatness of the great:
May the living God be praised!

Refrain

God reminds us every sunrise that the world is ours on lease -
For the sake of life tomorrow, may our love for it increase;
May all races live together, share its riches, be at peace:
May the living God be praised!

Refrain

~ written by Fred Pratt Green

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Freedom is coming!

We can hear it in the voices of the oppressed.

Hope is coming!

We can see it in the eyes of all those who despair.

God is here!

**We count on God’s presence with us,
to guide, heal and uplift our spirits.**

OPENING PRAYER (prayed responsively)

As we remember the birth of our nation, and the gifts of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, let us offer our thanks and prayers to God, the giver of all good gifts.

Let us pray:

For the women and men who braved the long journey by sea to come to this new world,

We thank you Lord.

For the tribes and nations who inhabited this land for generation upon generation,

We thank you Lord.

For patriots who dreamed of, and fought for, a free nation,

We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our democracy, and who pledged liberty and justice for all,

We thank you Lord.

For those who built this country brick by brick, road by road, and town by town,

We thank you Lord.

For the brave soldiers who have fought for our country, for all who paid for our freedom by their service, and those who paid by their sacrifice,

We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers, farmers and factory workers; for all who labor and provide for the common good,

We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys, coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,

We thank you Lord.

For our own community, for those who came before us in this place, and for our neighbors near and far,

We thank you Lord.

Lord, we pray for The United States, that we might always be a nation which defends and promotes liberty and freedom, truth and justice.

We pray to you Lord.

That we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and pray,

We pray to you Lord.

That we might be a beacon of freedom to all those who live under the shadow of terror and hopelessness,

We pray to you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead, would be guided by you, and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them,

We pray to you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins, and who always return to you and to your grace,

We pray to you Lord.

Gracious God, Father of all nations, bless and defend us and our land; prosper the work of our hands, and increase in us your grace and compassion, and our offerings of thanks to you, our rock and our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 30 OT pg 505

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 “America the Beautiful” arr. Linda Hartman

*** 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 Galatians 6:7-16 NT pg 191

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SERMON “Firm Foundation”

As we celebrate the birth and independence of our country, it is a good time to remember on what we were built and what we hold dear.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

*** HYMN NO. 697** “America”

*** BENEDICTION**

*** POSTLUDE**

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeters: Barbara and Kent Fegley

Acolyte: Jimmy Spangler

Liturgist: Bill Shoaf

Ushers: Jerry Jones, Brian Ivers, Jr., Stephen Jones, Dan Proulx, Ken Saunders

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 in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate. If you have any questions, please ask one of our ushers. Thank you. 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

Grace Beck-Zelaney, 139 Five Crown Royal Circle, Marlton, NJ 08053; Carol Miller, 170 Greentree Road Apt. 2239, Marlton, NJ 08053; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS

Merk Raffensberger

Lutheran Crossings Assisted Living

255 E Main St Apt 2; Moorestown, NJ 08057

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 ITS SYMPATHY

To the family of Joe Malinowski. Services will be held for Joe at Schettlers Funeral Home on Friday, July 8th at 11 am.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.
You who birthed a nation from a barren womb
And made your covenant with a band of runaway slaves;
You who have watched over the rise and fall of every nation
Great and small, near and far, before and since;
You who were in that stuffy room in Philadelphia
when this nation declared its independence;
Be with us now, with your people on earth and all the
company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Help us, O God, see things as you see them.
From your point of view there are no national boundaries,
No ugly boundaries on the face of the globe.
From your point of view the greatness of any nation
Is not measured by its gross national product,
Or its military strength,
But by the way its people embrace your truths
And love the things you love.
And so, even as we strike up the band
And join the parade,
As we light the fuses of firecrackers
And celebrate our cherished independence,
We ask that you would teach us the discipline of
responsibility
So that we may use our freedom in ways that help and heal
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But rather, through love, let us become servants to one another."

And lead by the serving example of your Son, Jesus Christ

Who, on the night in which he gave himself up for us,
Our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread

gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me."

And when the supper was over, he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you,

this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and fruit of the vine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,

one with each other,

and one in ministry to all the world,

until Christ comes in final victory

and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

And we pray that as a people we may become what you
promised to Abraham:

A nation by whom all the nations of the world are blessed.

Even as we thank you, O God, for what is,

And look forward by faith to what will be.

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