



Vacation Bible School

Where: St. Andrew's United Methodist Church
When: Monday, July 24 – Thursday, July 27 from 6- 8pm

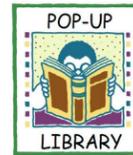
VBS is quickly approaching and we need your help! Our VBS program this year is Rome: Paul and the Underground Church. Here's how you can help!

- Remember to get your kids' registrations in – and don't forget to invite family, friends, and neighbors!
- If you would still like to volunteer to help, we could always use more help!!!
- Our biggest need is paper grocery bags and newspaper. We also need large cardboard boxes.

Please prayerfully consider helping out in some way so that we can continue this great mission for our children. For more information contact Ellen Barton – bartonep98@comcast.net or saumcch@gmail.com.

UPDATE ON THE POP-UP LIBRARY

Thank you all for the books donated to the Pop Up Library. We will continue to distribute books at several locations, so we could still (and will always) need more books.



If you have books to donate, please put them in the box marked POP UP LIBRARY in the Narthex. And....we need Pop Up Librarians. I would love you to join me at one of the sites and get a feel for this ministry. If this would be of interest to you, please contact me. Tom Martin [856 308 6992](tel:8563086992) or kennedyper@aol.com.

Christmas In July.



Look for the Christmas tree in the lobby. On it you will find tags. Each one will give you a suggestion of undie needs



for Little Hands Little Feet. You can then purchase that item and bring it back on the 16th to celebrate **LHLF Christmas in July**.

The LHLF team depletes the generous supply of underwear which is donated, while filling the many bags of clothing that are requested weekly. In one day alone, we can place from 30 to 90 pairs of underwear in the bags that are given to the children. The need is great.

Thank you for your continued support.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2 year olds – room 201
10:45am – 3 year olds to 1st grade–room 304, 2nd to 5th grades–room 303,
6th – 12th Grades–stay in the worship service

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

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday	6pm	Urban Promise Intern's Dinner – Wesley Hall
Tuesday	10am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
	7pm	Golf Committee – Parsonage
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Education Committee – Graf Room

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JULY 16th

Tuesday	7pm	Finance Committee – Parsonage
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Administrative Board – Room 101

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

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

Bible Reading for the Week of July 9-15

Sunday – Isaiah 36:1-39:8	Thursday – Isaiah 52:13-55:13
Monday – Isaiah 40:1-44:28	Friday – Isaiah 56:1-59:21
Tuesday – Isaiah 45:1-48:22	Saturday – Isaiah 60:1-66:24
Wednesday – Isaiah 49:1-52:12	

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.



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St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

July 9, 2017

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

10:30am

WORDS OF WELCOME

"All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your saints shall bless you!" (Psalm 145:10, ESV). Indeed, we gather to praise and bless the Lord. 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.)

INTROIT

* **HYMN NO. 109** "Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

All glory to God!
We have come to worship God, the living God,
 Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.
We have come to praise God, the almighty God,
 who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.
We have come to worship God, the all-gracious God,
 who chooses even you and me,
 To receive and carry the Word of life and hope.

OPENING PRAYER

Most Gracious God,
we greet you once again in this sacred space.
We have come because we need to be reminded
Of your love and your expectations for our living.
We are like the vine you planted, watered and protected.
We know in our hearts
that we need, want and desire your presence in our lives.
So we come in prayer
and listen for your Word to speak to our hearts
and reveal again your desires for us. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 2:1-4 OT page 631

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 "If With All Your Hearts" J. E. Roberts
Carla Branyan

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 "We Are an Offering" Dwight Liles
Sunday Singers

* 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 Isaiah 6:1-8 OT page 635
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE "Close Encounters of the God Kind"
We often talk about how God "calls" us.
What exactly does that mean?
And how exactly might we respond?
It all depends on how we encounter God.

* **HYMN NO. 593** "Here I Am Lord"

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeter: Karen Bianco
Acolyte: Reid Kolbe
Liturgist: Joyce Worthington
Ushers: Michael Doyle, Chris Corcoran, Pat Flynn, Keith Owens
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

Dorothy Lauer, 19 Snapdragon Lane, Marlton, NJ 08053; Esther Byers, Lion's Gate, 1100 Laurel Oak Rd., Voorhees, NJ 08043; Martha Shanely, 3234 Hailey Drive, Marlton, NJ 08053; Kathryn Phillips, Medford Leas Rehab, 1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ 08055; Susan Kruse, Avista Rehab, 3025 Chapel Avenue, Room 105, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Eustace Kangaju, 17 Snyder Court, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.

SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS:

Buzz Wilkinson
18 Yale Ave, Somerdale, NJ 08083

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.



Today, St. Andrew's will be hosting Urban Promise summer interns for an evening of worship and dinner. This is a great opportunity to meet energetic and committed young adults that come from all over the country to train and work with Urban Promise programs and ministries. This year's dinner will be a Hawaiian Luau! Your culinary talents are needed! If you are interested in providing a salad or dessert, please contact Ester Falcone at efalcone121@gmail.com. Dinner starts at 6pm in Wesley Hall, followed by a worship service in the sanctuary.



ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEMBERS – Our next meeting is Tuesday, July 19th. Please remember to send your report to the church office 10 days prior to the meeting (a report can be a copy of your last minutes) so that reports can be sent out prior to the meeting. If you have new business to be put on the agenda, please send it in as well.

St. Andrew's Nursery School & Kindergarten is proud to offer



Lunch Bunch

Mondays - Thursdays from 11:30am - 12:30pm
Starting September 2017

We are looking for interested individuals who would like to staff this exciting new program. Please contact the Nursery School office for more details 429-4470 or StAndrewsNSK@verizon.net

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS



Summer Sunday School began June 25th. Please consider helping out and sign up on the sheet in the lobby. Curriculum is provided for each lesson. For more information, please contact Sandy Ferguson at sandykern24@gmail.com. Thanks for your support!!

THANK YOU for all the support, prayers, cards and flowers received surrounding the death of my sister, Eunice. Those prayers kept me going through a very difficult time.
Marilyn Ivers

PARKING LOT WILL BE RESURFACED THIS WEEK – Parking will be available on the street but you may want to call the church office and ask before you come to the church.

An Exciting Event to add to your calendar...



On Sunday, October 8, 2017 church is going to be very different. Yes, there will be singing and praying – but we will also be packing 10,152 meals which will be sent to a developing nation! You will also have the opportunity to discover more about the varied missions of St. Andrew's. There is a place for all God's children – of every age to play a part in this event. The packing event will be followed by a meal – provided by the Missions Committee! The organization we will be partnering with is called "Rise Against Hunger" – you can check them out online (www.riseagainsthunger.org) or if you are ready to make a commitment to be a part go to <http://events.stophungernow.org/StAndrewsUMCOct2017> and sign up today!

SAVE THE DATE



**ST. ANDREW'S 9TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC
INDIAN SPRING COUNTRY CLUB
FRIDAY, September 29**

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 www.saumcnj.org and look for "Giving On-line."