

IN OUR PRAYERS

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SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS

Martha Seaney
114 Garfield Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS (CORRECTION)

Last week's altar flowers were given by Sandy and Ken Ferguson in honor of their son Sean's marriage to Zainab Nejati.

Did you know ...

the stained glass window named The Crucifixion given by Vivien and Woody French, in memory of loved ones? It is located 21st from the back.

~The Historian

UNDIE SUNDAY

Today we are accepting your donations of children's underwear for our Little Hands Little Feet Clothing program. You may place them in the baskets in the sanctuary or by the table in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

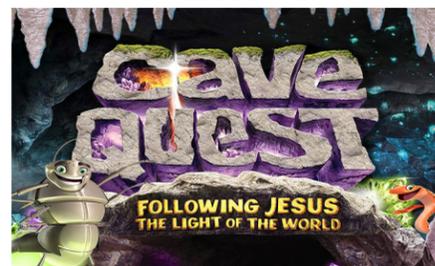
URBAN PROMISE FIESTA

On Sunday, July 31st, 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 Summer Fiesta complete with Tacos and all the fixings! If you are interested in volunteering your time or talents, please contact Ester Falcone at efalcone121@gmail.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Tomorrow-Friday ~ 6-8:30pm

PreK children to those children who have just completed 5th Grade



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.

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.

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	10:30am	Youth Mission Team Commissioning
Monday	6-8:30pm	Vacation Bible School
Tuesday	6-8:30pm	Vacation Bible School
	7pm	Finance Committee – Lounge
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	6-8:30pm	Vacation Bible School
Thursday	6-8:30pm	Vacation Bible School
Friday	6-8:30pm	Vacation Bible School
Saturday		Youth Mission Team Trip to Virginia

ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JULY 24th

Sunday		Discretionary Fund Offering
Tuesday	10:30am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Trustees – Graf Room



SAVE THE DATE

ST. ANDREW'S GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 30, 2016

RON JAWORSKI'S RAMBLEWOOD
COUNTRY CLUB

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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 17, 2016

10:30am

Words of Welcome

Followers of Jesus, welcome to worship!
Please greet the disciples worshipping near you.

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

"Battle of the Heroes"

* HYMN No. 405

"Seek Ye First"

* CALL TO WORSHIP

A long time ago, God fashioned the galaxies of the universe
Near and far, far away.

Each instilled with honor.

Each instilled with goodness.

Characteristics of God that inspire in us

To walk in the ways of justice and mercy.

A journey that leads us to uncover ... the insight of righteousness.

An eternal encounter with God's grace.

Today, we attempt to uncover

A way of living that draws us closer to God.

OPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

O God, in this time of worship, hear our prayers. Hear us now, as we stand in the midst of so much wrongdoing in our world. Help us hear your voice amid the conflict of sounds that surround and distract us. Help us focus on what is truly important – living faithful lives, and being of service to you and to all your people. May this time apart strengthen us to resist evil and to embrace justice in your steadfast love.

May this time with you focus our awareness that Christ lives in each one of us. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 7 OT pg 491

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

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Mission Trip Commissioning

Pastor: You have accepted the call to be a servant of God. You have taken the time to orientate yourself for the assignment. New insights have been gained as you prepared yourself for service to others. You have committed yourself to the task. As a servant of God, you will use your gifts and talents to serve the Lord?

Youth: With joy we will serve the Lord.

Leader: How will you begin each day?

Youth: With the question, "Where will we see God today?"

Pastor: Remember the words of Jesus, at the end of the gospel of Matthew, as he tells us, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always." The Holy Spirit has led you to this ministry opportunity. Are you willing to serve the people of the New River Valley in Virginia?

Youth: Yes, with the help of God.

Pastor: You have been called, and are now being sent – how do you respond?

Youth: In response to God's great love for us, we will look for ways of sharing the gospel of peace each day in service to God.

Pastor: (To the congregation) Will you support the youth by praying for each of these young people? Will you encourage them with your conversation and love them with the love of Christ?

Congregation: We will, with the help of God! You are the offering of the congregation.

Pastor: Let us pray and celebrate this ministry of our congregation.

Gracious God, pour out your blessing on these young people as they prepare to go out in your name. Give them courage to act from their faith as they share the gospel of peace and care for the people who they encounter. Use them in positive ways so that others see your love and your promises. Empower us as a congregation to value our youth and adults in ministry. Give wisdom, strength, and hope to these faithful servants in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

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 "Light of the World" (from Cave Quest VBS)

Ellen, Joanna and Julia Barton

* 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 Luke 19:1-10 NT pg 82

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SERMON "Judge Me By My Size, Do You"

This is one of the most memorable quotes from the great Jedi master, Yoda. It is interesting how we determine worth in this world,

with much attention given to the outward, superficial instead of inner beauty and strength that can reside deep inside the soul – often these are the characteristics and attributes that can affect positive change and renewal.

* HYMN

"Come and Find the Quiet Center"

BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeters: Project Spy Mission Team

Acolyte: Julia Barton

Liturgist: Sonia Kangaju

Ushers: Dave Layton, Greg Bristow, 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" 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.***