

#### **SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

We need a few more volunteers to help out with Summer Sunday School. Please check the sign-up sheet in the narthex for openings and sign up if you are willing to help. Lessons are provided. Any questions – Please contact the church office at 856-429-4469.

#### YEAR ROUND STEWARSHIP

Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church year round. Consider scheduling a recurring electronic contribution today. It's easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes every week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis.

Get started today! Ask for an authorization form in the church office, or visit our church website: <a href="www.saumcnj.org">www.saumcnj.org</a>.

#### **SUMMER SERMON SERIES CONTINUES**



On **July 31**, we will resume our quest to see if "The Force" is with us as we continue on a journey of epic proportions! With the release of "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" in December of 2015 and the promise of a December 2016 release of "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" – we are once again wrapped up in a galaxy far, far

away. Star Wars is one of the most beloved movie series of all time and significant spiritual themes are woven throughout each chapter. From the "Force" to the "Darkside," the issues portrayed in the films have a spiritual complexity that can help us better understand our place in the world and our relationship to God and others.

Here's what we have to look forward to:

Do or Do Not, There is No Try
The Jedi Path
The Reality of the Darkside
Help Me Obi Wan Kenobi. You're My Only Hope!

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

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

#### **ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

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

Friday Youth Mission Team returns from Virginia

#### **ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JULY 31st**

Sunday Vote for your Favorite Hymn!! Urban Promise Intern Dinner – Wesley Hall 5pm Tuesday 7pm Missions Committee – Graf Room Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307 Wednesday 10am Cathedral Kitchen 3pm 7pm Administrative Board – Room 101 Friday UMYF BBQ – Playground & Rooms 105/106 6pm

#### Did you know ...

that those ubiquitous yellow "Sticky Notes" were made popular in 1977, only after a man by the name of Art Fry came up with the idea of using the adhesive to anchor his bookmark in his hymn book.

The historian



#### SAVE THE DATE

ST. ANDREW'S GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 30, 2016

RON JAWORSKI'S RAMBLEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

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Ellen Barton, Bell Choir Director

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# **St. Andrew's United Methodist Church**

July 24, 2016 10:30am

#### **Words of Welcome**

Good morning! May this time of worship and receiving God's Word refresh and rejuvenate you for faithful living. Welcome, all!

#### **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. 529

"How Firm a Foundation"

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to worship this day.

We have come seeking peace and hope.

This is the house of the Lord. In it, you will find what you seek. Help us open our hearts to God's words and will for us.

Ask for God's help – it will be given to you.

Praise be to God who loves and cares for us.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Lord, it has been a difficult week. Things have happened for which we were not prepared. We have not responded to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience. We have turned our backs on others in need, placing our creature comforts first. We have been stressed, pulled, pushed, tossed. Give us peace, Gracious Lord. Help us to slow down so that we can receive your healing word of love. Remind us that we stand in need of forgiveness, and then having received such love, we are to love and serve others. Teach us to pray for courage and strength; teach us how to be good disciples for you. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 NT pg 176 This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** 

**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** Songs From VBS

#### \* 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

#### CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING** 2 Timothy 1:7 NT pg 211 This is the Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** "Fear Not, the Spirit is With You" Gene Fulghum

\* HYMN NO. 384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

\*Those who are able, please stand.

## Serving our church this morning...

**Greeters:** Bill and Donna Shoaf and grandchildren

**Acolyte:** D'Andre Abrahams-Forbes

**Liturgist:** Betsy Griffis

Barbara Hansen, Jim and Susan Badaracco, Ushers

Karen Bianco, 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" card, found in the

brochure located 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**

St. Andrew's Youth mission team in Virginia; Evelyn Giancaterino, Pennsylvania Hospital; Alice Work; 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 Chelten Hearts > Prayers 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. If you would like to help, an offering plate will be at the back of the sanctuary to accept your donations. Thank you.

#### **URBAN PROMISE FIESTA**

On Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 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.



On Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, all youth entering grades 6 through 12 are invited to a UMYF Barbeque here at St. Andrew's. Come at 6pm to enjoy burgers, hot dogs and chicken on the grill in the playground. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. This is a great time for youth fellowship and fun. Please RSVP to Connie DiRocco at conniedirocco@verizon.net or 856-216-7765 to let her know you are coming. See you then!!

### PLEASANT VALLEY MINIATURE GOLF CLUB "FUNRAISER CARD"

Have a fun time with family and friends playing a round of Golf and afterwards enjoy a complimentary Small Water Ice of your choice any day or evening now through Friday, September 30!



Only one card is needed per group of players. Just make sure the Pleasant Valley Miniature Golf Club employee who takes in your card writes on the card the number of players in your group because the Golf Club is donating \$1 to St. Andrew's for each players round of golf purchased!

#### **2016 FAVORITE HYMN COUNTDOWN**



Everyone loves to sing their favorite hymn and here's the chance to vote for yours! Beginning on Sunday, July 31, 2016 we will be balloting for the "Top Ten" favorite hymns of St. Andrew's. Each Sunday a ballot will be included in the Sunday bulletin for you to cast your vote. A "leader board"

will be posted each week so you can encourage others to help your favorites come out on top (one vote per person - per Sunday). On Sunday, August 28, 2016 we will reveal and sing the top ten in an old fashioned Hymn Sing service. Start thinking about the hymns you'll vote for!



#### THANK YOU FROM LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET

A huge THANK YOU from Little Hands Little Feet for the very generous response to our "Undie Sunday" request. We received 167 pair of underwear! You are an awesome congregation and we are blessed by you.