

VBS SUPPORTS WEST VIRGINIA FLOODS VICTIMS



The children who attended Vacation Bible School raised \$110 for the flood victims in West Virginia. Great work!

Thanks to all who attended Vacation

Bible School and to Ellen Barton, our director, and all of the volunteers who worked hard to create such an enriching experience for the kids. A great time was had by all!

FOOD PANTRY REQUEST

On Sunday, August 7th, we will be accepting donations for the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. This month, they are requesting laundry detergent. Donations can be placed in the baskets in the sanctuary or by the table in the narthex.



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: www.saumcnj.org.

SUMMER SERMON SERIES CONTINUES



Today, 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

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

ACTiViTiES WEEK oF August 7th

Sunday		Communion/ Food Pantry Donations
Monday	7pm	Golf Committee – Graf Room
Tuesday	10:30am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
Wednesday	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	SPRC – Graf Room



**SAVE THE DATE
SPREAD THE WORD**

ST. ANDREW'S GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, September 30, 2016

**RON JAWORSKI'S RAMBLEWOOD
COUNTRY CLUB**



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Rev. Richard Work, Jr., Pastor

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Ellen Barton, Bell Choir Director

Irina Nenartovich, Organist

St. Andrew's united Methodist Church

July 31, 2016

10:30am

Words of Welcome

May this time in God's presence strengthen our faith,
that we might leave eager to serve and glorify God.

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

"Princess Leia's Theme"

* HYMN No. 428

"For the Healing of the Nations"

* CALL To WoRSHiP

A long time ago, God fashioned the galaxies of the universe

Near and far, far away.

Each rooted in expectation.

Each rooted in possibility.

Can we still perceive God's desires for our world?

Do we still hear God's voice calling our name?

Each day, we continue to journey ... into the depth of potential.

An encounter with God's Will for our lives.

Today, we attempt to discover

A way of living that creates a reliance of the Almighty.

oPENING PRAYER (prayed together)

O God, giver of all good gifts, you have given us life. You have bestowed upon us your love and that love includes your plans. What are we to do? All life is a call and a response. We pray for grace to hear your voice and a heart to respond. We are ready to listen. We shall listen to those who are here to give us guidance and encouragement, for it is clear that whatever plans you have for us, we will never journey alone. Help us to listen to the rhythm of each day, day by day, so that we are not overwhelmed with thoughts

of the future. We are ready to listen O God, give us the courage to truly hear. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 107:1-9 OT pg 559

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 REPORT FROM PROJECT SPY

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 "I Thank You Lord" Martin
Carla Branyan

* 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 Matthew 9:18-26 NT pg 9

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SERMON "Help Me Obi Wan Kenobi, You're My Only Hope"

These words, spoken by Princess Leia, are repeated over and over through the holographic message reaching out for help. Reaching out for help is understood universally. It is just *who* we perceive as our help that potentially changes the future.

* HYMN No. 206 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

* BENECTION

* POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Serving our church this morning...

Greeters: Katharine Baer and Tim Segado

Acolyte: Justin Malec

Liturgist: Lee Manns

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.***

IN OUR PRAYERS

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 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034.



SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS

Robert and Elma Jane Magee
The Evergreens, 309 Bridgeboro Road, Apt 1225,
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.

Did you know ...

that the Paschal candle, which is lit by an Acolyte every Sunday, is traditionally the largest candle in the Sanctuary? Ours is of traditional size. In the mediaeval church, it often reached a stupendous size. The Paschal candle of the Salisbury Cathedral was said to be 36 feet tall!

~The Historian

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.

URBAN PROMISE FIESTA

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

UMYF BARBEQUE

On Friday, August 5th at 6pm, 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 conniedirosso@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 it the number of players in your group. The Golf Club is donating \$1.00 to St. Andrew's for each player's 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 today, 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, September 5, 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!