



**Pancake Breakfast on December 10<sup>th</sup>  
from 8:30 – 11:00 a.m. in Wesley Hall!!!**

This February will mark the 8<sup>th</sup> year that St. Andrew's has sent a team to the Dominican Republic to build houses for families in the mountains of Salamanca and the village of Los Cocos.

It takes \$4,250 to purchase the materials to build one house with a steel roof and a cement floor that is the size of a one to two car garage in the U.S. The seven houses financed by St. Andrews in previous years were a huge blessing to the families that received them. They were so grateful to have a permanent structure in which to raise their families.

Please join us in supporting this mission of love and dedication in the name of St. Andrew's UMC by coming to the breakfast or by making a monetary donation (payable to St. Andrew's and marked Dominican Republic). All funds will go toward building costs.

Santa arrives at 9:00 a.m. Tell your neighbors and your friends!!

**THANKSGIVING WEEK AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER**



**Volunteers and White Potatoes Wanted!** One of the most meaningful times of the year in the life of the Neighborhood Center is the week of Thanksgiving, which provides for 3,000 children and adults. They need our help! Their Community Grocery Store enables families to shop free of charge for food, including a

turkey or ham.

On Thanksgiving Day, they serve a noon meal to over 150 individuals and families. Anticipating an even greater need this year, the Neighborhood Center has asked St. Andrew's to collect **white potatoes and spices (cinnamon, garlic powder, pumpkin spice, pepper, and poultry seasoning).**

To promote a healthier diet for their clients, the Center is now advocating the use of fresh vegetables and fruits as much as possible instead of high sodium canned foods. We would, also, like to provide at least 10 pre-registered volunteers for the various Neighborhood Center activities during the week:

- **Sunday, November 20**— Join us after church to bag and load the potatoes into cars.
- **Monday, November 21**—morning volunteers will help unload food and help set-up Community Grocery Store (8am to 12pm) and afternoon/evening volunteers will assist shoppers and restock (12pm to 4pm and 4pm to 6pm)
- **Tuesday, November 22**—volunteers will restock the store and assist shoppers (8:30am-12pm and 12pm- 4pm and 4pm-6pm)

**YOU** can make a difference this holiday season! A sign-up sheet of volunteer opportunities and times will be posted in the narthex. Please schedule your time to volunteer. For more information, contact Marcia Schmid at [schmid3@comcast.net](mailto:schmid3@comcast.net)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

10:30am Worship – Nursery Care for infants to 2 year olds – room 201  
10:45am – 3 and 4 year olds–room 202, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade– room 302, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade–room 304, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades–room 303, 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades – room 106 and 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades room 105.

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

**ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

Sunday	11:45am	Children's Choir and "Grumpy Shepherd" Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	11:45am	Volunteers bag Thanksgiving food
	All day	Fundraiser at Le Café Creperie
Monday	8am	Food delivery to Neighborhood Center
	7pm	Bible Study – Lounge
Tuesday	10am	Needlecrafters – Conference Room
	7pm	Martha Circle – Lounge
	7pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
	7:30pm	Community Thanksgiving Service -Temple Beth Shalom
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
Thursday	8am	Thanksgiving Breakfast – Wesley Hall
Friday		Church Office Closed

**ACTIVITIES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sunday	11:45am	Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection Children's Choir and "Grumpy Shepherd" Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Monday	7pm	Bible Study – Lounge
	6pm	Poverty Task Force – Graf Room
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
Thursday	Noon	Keenager's – Wesley Hall
	6pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	7pm	Messiah Sing-Dress Rehearsal – Room 101
Saturday	2 and 7:30pm	Pine Baron's Concert – Sanctuary



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

November 20, 2016

10:30am

**Words of Welcome**

"Taste and see that the Lord is Good." (Psalm 34:8)

Before we dine at our holiday tables,

let us feast on the Word of the Lord.

Welcome to Thanksgiving 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** "Our Hymn of Grateful Praise" Michael Helman, arr. Bell Choir

\* **OPENING HYMN NO. 694** "Come Ye Thankful People, Come"

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Good morning! May God's blessings be with you this day!

**Thank you, and may God's blessings be with you also!**

May the light of Christ's love shine on you today.

**May the peace of Christ be in your heart.**

Open your hearts to celebrate the reign of our Savior Jesus Christ.

**With joy, we open our hearts and spirits to the Lord.**

**OPENING PRAYER** *(prayed together)*

**Forgiving God, how many times we have spoken words of commitment and faith and then turned our backs on these commitments to follow the temptations of the world. We want you to come in and clean up all our messes, excusing us from any responsibility. Forgive us for such foolishness. Forgive us when we think we know everything and then discover that we have behaved and thought in ignorant ways. Teach us to listen and to place our trust in your abiding power. Help us remember the power of your healing love. Open our hearts, our spirits, and our lives to listen to your word for us. Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Colossians 1:11-20 NT page 200

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** "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Peggy Bettcher, arr.

## 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** "Autumn Carol" Russell Schulz-Widman, arr.  
Chancel Choir, Rising Voices and Bell Choir

### \* 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** Deuteronomy 26:1-11 OT page 180  
This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** "Getting to the Heart of Giving Thanks"

What table should be filled on a day of Thanksgiving?

Today's text from Deuteronomy challenges us to understand how we can truly express our heartfelt thanks to God.

\* **CLOSING HYMN** (from insert) "In Christ Alone"

### \* BENEDICTION

### \* POSTLUDE

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

## Serving our church this morning...

**Greeter:** Ester Falcone

**Acolyte:** Collin Kolbe

**Liturgist:** Betsy Griffis

**Ushers:** Dave Layton, 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" brochure 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.***

## ROSEBUD

The rosebud on the altar is given by Leon Rothamel and Barbara Tessier-Rothamel, honoring the birth of their great-granddaughter, Emmalyn Rose Encinosa on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

## THANK YOU

From Jim Miller for all the prayers, cards, and calls he received from his church family following the death of his son.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Chelton Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Bill Olsen, 170 Greentree Road, Apt 2229, Marlton, NJ 08053; Donna Shoaf, 712 Grove Street, Haddonfield, NJ 08033

**SHUT-IN IN OUR PRAYERS:** **Jean Strack**  
**47 Churchill Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034**

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.

## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE – Tuesday, Nov. 22, 7:30 pm



Hosted by Temple Beth Shalom, 1901 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill. Rabbi Steven Lindemann will lead the multi-faith service which will include scripture and prayer by

our community religious leaders, music by Cherry Hill East High School, Al's Chorale and the TBS choir and a community proclamation of gratitude for what we have been given. A reception with light refreshments will follow the service.

## GIFT CARD SALE

The holidays are fast approaching! With this in mind, we hope you will once again benefit the church by purchasing your GIFT CARDS through St. Andrew's. In addition to using the cards as gifts, please consider gift cards for your own needs to purchase your groceries, gasoline or your daily Starbucks or Wawa coffee! Information and order forms will be available in the Narthex, on our website [www.saumcnj.org](http://www.saumcnj.org) and through St. Andrew's online. All orders and payment will be due by Sunday December 4th, and will arrive for pickup by December 11th... in plenty of time for the holidays. Take a sneak peek at the hundreds of retailers available at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). Contact Colleen at 856-429-4469 with any questions. All proceeds support St. Andrew's.



## LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET

Is in need of new or gently used baby blankets. We place a blanket in the bag of clothing given to every child twelve months and younger. Our requests have been many, and our blankets are scarce. If you knit/crochet baby blankets and have some to spare, that would be very welcome. Just place them in the bin in the narthex, and we will see that a deserving child receives them. Thank you.

## BONUS RESTAURANT OF THE MONTH

TODAY, Le Café Creperie, 139 Kings Highway East in Haddonfield will generously donate 10% of your purchase to St. Andrew's. Coupons are required and can be found in the lobby, on our website at [www.saumcnj.org](http://www.saumcnj.org).

★ **THANKSGIVING DAY BREAKFAST**  
**November 24<sup>th</sup> from 8am-9am in Wesley Hall**

Every Thanksgiving for 55 years, families of the church have gathered for a wonderful tradition of breakfast together. The United Methodist Men invite everyone in church to come and bring guests to share in good food and fellowship in Wesley Hall, as we give thanks for our many blessings. RSVP by placing an "invitation" in the basket in the back of the church. All are welcome!!

## TOY COLLECTION HAS BEGUN

With all of the holiday sales beginning this month, keep our DCP Christmas Party in mind. The party will be held on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> (NOTE corrected date) in Wesley Hall. We will host children of all ages under the care of DCP&P (formerly DYFS) for a Christmas party complete with food, crafts, gifts and more. Toy donations can be placed in the narthex starting today. Thank you for your support.



## THANKSGIVING OFFERING

This year, the money we collect in our special Thanksgiving envelope that is found in your envelope box will be used to support our music budget. We all enjoy the music in worship each week. And we all look forward to special music programs during the holidays and at other times throughout the year. Our Director of Music, Katharine Baer and our new pianist Ellen Youssefian are working very hard to expand and enhance our music programs. We ask that you prayerfully consider supporting these efforts by making a special gift in the Thanksgiving envelope. Those of you who give online through Vanco, can participate by selecting the Thanksgiving offering option under the "Donations" heading.

## NEVER TOO LATE . . . . .

It is not too late to return an Estimate of Giving card for the 2017 budget. The 2017 budget is a bare bones budget and needs to be fully funded for the important ministries of St. Andrew's to continue uninterrupted at their full potential. If you have not yet committed to our upcoming budget, please consider doing so today. If you need an Estimate of Giving card, simply ask one of your ushers, they will be glad to assist.

## PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Next Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> 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.