

## READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER

In 2017, St. Andrew's is reading the Bible together. Bible Study resumes on Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm and Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in the lounge. All are welcome to attend. Daily readings are listed here each week.

### Bible Reading for the Week of November 26 – December 2

Sunday – Colossians 1:1-2:23      Thursday – 2 Thessalonians 1:1-3:18  
Monday – Colossians 3:1-4:18      Friday – 1 Timothy 1:1-3:16  
Tuesday – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3:13      Saturday – 1 Timothy 5:1-6:21  
Wednesday – 1 Thessalonians 4:1-5:28  
Do you have a question about something you read this week? Email your questions to the church office ([saumcch@gmail.com](mailto:saumcch@gmail.com)) or Pastor Richard ([richrdwork@msn.com](mailto:richrdwork@msn.com)) or text your question to Pastor Richard at 304-692-7175.

## PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND COLLECTION TODAY

Today, we will accept offerings for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. These funds are made available to members of the church and the local community in need. The funds are currently low due to high demand during this time of year. If you would like to make an offering, please do so by placing it in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary at the end of the service.

## Pancake Breakfast with Santa - December 9<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.



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 for the last 9 years. The families are so grateful to have a permanent structure in which to raise their families. You can support the mission team by coming for a delicious breakfast and holiday festivities! Santa arrives at 9:00 a.m. Or make a monetary

donation (payable to St. Andrew's, marked Dominican Republic). All funds will go toward building costs. Tell your neighbors and your friends!!

## CHRISMONS PARTY - DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>



Next Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> after the worship service, join us in Wesley Hall to decorate Chrismons for the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. This is an event for everyone of all ages!! All supplies will be provided – just bring yourself! A light lunch will be served. We hope you can take part in this fun event.

## PNE BARONS HOLIDAY CONCERTS

On Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Pine Barons will hold their annual Holiday Concert: "You're a Mean One, Mister Grinch" here at St. Andrew's. Special guests are the Cherry Hill High School East Singers. There are two performances – 2pm and 7:30pm. Tickets at the door are \$20 for adults, \$17 for Seniors, \$5 for Youth and children under 13 are free. For information on lower-priced advanced ticket orders, please call John at 856-866-2474 or visit [www.pinebarons.org](http://www.pinebarons.org).



## SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

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

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

## ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday		Pastor's Discretionary Fund Collection
	Noon	Children's Choir – Choir Room
	6pm	Youth Gathering - Lounge
Monday	7pm	Bible Study – Graf Room
	7pm	Martha Circle – Lounge
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	7pm	Trustees – Conference Room
Saturday	2pm and 7pm	Pine Barons Holiday Concert - Sanctuary

## ACTIVITIES WEEK OF DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday		COMMUNION/FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION
	9am	Elizabeth Circle – Conference Room
	Noon	Children's Choir – Choir Room
	Noon	Chrismons Party – Wesley Hall
Monday	7pm	Bible Study – Graf Room
Tuesday	10am	Anna Circle – Lounge
	7pm	Missions – Lounge
Wednesday	9:30am	Bible Study – Lounge
	10am	Little Hands Little Feet – Room 307
	3pm	Cathedral Kitchen
Thursday	Noon	Keenagers – Wesley Hall
	7pm	Choir Rehearsal – Room 101
Saturday	8:30am	Pancake Breakfast for D.R. Trip – Wesley Hall



**TONIGHT!!** All youth in grades 6 through 12 are welcome to join in on the conversation at our youth gathering. There will also be a vote taken for next summer's youth mission trip. See you at 6pm in the lounge!!



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# St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

November 26, 2017

LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENECCOST

10:30am

## 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 (see insert)

"Welcome"

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
**who chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world,**  
who destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ,  
**who has forgiven our sins according to the riches of his grace,**  
and has made known to us the mystery of his will.

**This is our God!**

Let's worship together.

## OPENING PRAYER

**God of secret purposes and blessings,**

**We come to praise you.**

**We come because we want to,**

**We sing our songs because we are glad to,**

**We pray for your grace because we need to,**

**And we ask for the love of Christ in our hearts**

**Because without it, we are a dead loss.**

**Please lift every shutter within our mind,**

**And open every door within our soul,**

**That you, the Lord of glory, the God of countless hosts,**

**May come in.**

**Through Christ Jesus, the joy of loving hearts. Amen**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Colossians 1:3-8

NT page 199

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S TIME

## CHILDREN MAY LEAVE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

## 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

“Ubi Caritas”

by Ola Gjelio

Chancel Choir

Translation:

Where charity and love are, God is there  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

## \* 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** Ephesians 1:3-14 NT page 192

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## MESSAGE

“A Life Beyond Words”

Rev. Work

## \* HYMN NO. 568

“Christ for the World We Sing”

## \* BENEDICTION

## \* POSTLUDE

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

### Serving our church this morning...

**Greeters:** Bill, Laura, Dylan, Shane and Will Mandia

**Acolyte:** James Spangler

**Liturgist:** Barbara Hansen

**Ushers:** Barbara Hansen, Karen Bianco, Saad Nazir, Tim Griffis,  
and Tom Bianco III

**Audio:** Tom Bianco III, Mark Corcoran, Dale Osterman



We have a special place for our little ones. Children age 2 and under are invited to explore our nursery! (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.**



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.

IN OUR

Thoughts and Prayers

Vince Anderer, 130 Whistler Green Court, Marlton, NJ 08053; Barbara Brown, 324 Society Hill, Cherry Hill, NJ 08053; Mary Ann Edgerton, 107 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034; Dorothy Lauer, 19 Snapdragon Lane, Marlton, NJ 08053; Kathryn Phillips, Collingswood Manor, 460 Haddon Ave, Collingswood, NJ 08108; Susan Kruse, 1022 Cheltenham Parkway, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002;

## We also lift up a shut-in member each week.

**Fran Mac Donald, 224 N. Brookfield Drive, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034**

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.

## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

A Hefty Heifer thank you to all that supported the Heifer Project. This year St. Andrews contributed \$2,290 towards this global mission. Your generous support over these past 25 years is appreciated.

## COOKIES FOR COLLINGSWOOD MANOR

Every year, Collingswood Manor gives each resident a container of cookies in December. If you would like to donate cookies, please leave them in the lounge kitchen on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> (marked “Collingswood Manor”). Your donations will be appreciated! If you have any questions, please contact Beverly DeZutti at 667-9248. Thank you!

## DIVISION OF CHILD PROTECTION & PERMANENCY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Christmas Party for children within Division of Child Protection and Permanency will be held on Thursday, December 14, 2017, starting at 5:00 p.m. We will be sponsoring at least forty children, who might not know the joy of the season if it wasn’t for the compassion of St. Andrews United Methodist members

This annual celebration consists of feeding forty hungry children, the telling of the Christmas story, a visit from our popular Santa, and gift giving. To feed these hungry children, we will post a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for food donations and volunteers to help out.

On Wednesday, December 13th, we will be wrapping the toys that have been donated for this event. Bring your talent and scissors and join us at 6:30 p.m. in Wesley hall.



We are in need of toy donations for children between the ages of 2-12 years of age and of all ethnic groups. The barrel for the toy donations will be in the Narthex. Please be generous. Let the love shine through.

## LITTLE HANDS LITTLE FEET NEEDS SOME HELP



LITTLE HANDS~LITTLE FEET have many bags of children's clothing to be sorted by gender and size for the winter months ahead, and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Come see what our mission is all about and help the children in need. We meet in Room 307, 2nd floor on Wednesdays between 10am-12pm. Your help will be appreciated! We THANK YOU in advance for your SUPPORT!!!!

## KEENAGERS



Our next meeting is Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at noon in Wesley Hall. The main course is ham. You can bring a dish to share and enjoy a holiday musical performance. The cost is \$5 with a dish to share or \$10 without a dish. Join us!!

## FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



Next Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will have our collection for the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. In December, we will collect COFFEE for the Pantry. Shoppers at the Pantry love finding good quality coffee on the shelves! Donations can be placed in the baskets on the altar or in the lobby. Thank you for your support.



## GIFT CARD SALE HAS BEGUN!

The holidays are fast approaching! You can support St. Andrew’s by purchasing your GIFT CARDS as holiday gifts or for your own routine purchases: groceries, gasoline or Wawa coffee! Here’s how you can order:



- Fill out an order form and return with cash or check (payable to St. Andrew’s). Pick up your gift cards at church on Sunday, 12/17. Order forms are in the lobby and at [saumcnj.org](http://saumcnj.org).
- Order online! Go to [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) and enroll using our enrollment code [2F9EDB1L38L3L](https://www.shopwithscrip.com/enroll). Cards will be sent directly to you.

All paper order forms and payment are due by Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>. Gift cards will arrive for pickup by December 17<sup>th</sup>, 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 in the church office with any questions – 856-429-4469. All proceeds support St. Andrew’s.

## SEARCHING, SHOPPING AND SUPPORTING



Support St. Andrew’s each time you search online?? YES! Just go to **Goodsearch.com**, set up an account, choose St. Andrew’s United Methodist Church as your cause, and search away! For each “search”, St. Andrew’s receives one cent! Doesn’t sound like much? So far, we have received over \$700 from Goodsearch.



You shop. Amazon gives.

If you shop on Amazon, go to **smile.amazon.com** to set up an Amazon Smile account and designate St Andrews United Methodist Church (no punctuation)

as your charity (there are a lot of St. Andrew’s churches, so make sure you choose the one in Cherry Hill) and Amazon will contribute a set percentage of your purchases to the church.

It’s easy! Give **Goodsearch** or **Amazon Smile** a try!! Detailed instructions are on the bulletin board in the church lobby.



## What are some of the physiological benefits of exercise?

Having more energy and living longer... If you’ve never tried any of our exercises classes, please be our guest for a **complimentary** class of your choice. We offer Pilates, Yoga, Tai Chi, and Dance/Kick/Punch exercise classes. All classes cost just \$10 – no contracts required. Questions? Contact Barbara Hansen at [Barbara.Hansen3428@gmail.com](mailto:Barbara.Hansen3428@gmail.com) or 609-706-3552.