

St. Andrew's Times

August 2023

ST ANDREW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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The Lord Turns Our Darkness Into Light.

A guiding lighthouse and saving station to our Community, Nation, and World!



MISSION STATEMENT: "To know Jesus Christ and to make Him known as Savior and Lord"

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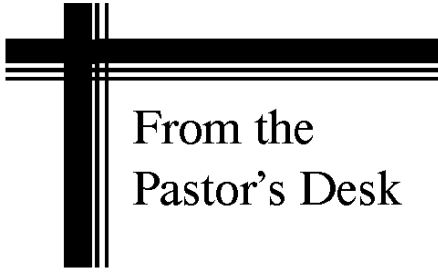
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August

Scripture Reading

- Day 1: Rom. 8:31-32
- Day 2: Rom. 8:33-34
- Day 3: Rom. 8:35-36
- Day 4: Rom. 8:37-38
- Day 5: John 14:15-16
- Day 6: John 14:17-18
- Day 7: John 14:19-20
- Day 8: Isa. 30:21
- Day 9: Josh. 1:9
- Day 10: Psa. 34:17-18
- Day 11: Isa. 54:1-2
- Day 12: Isa. 54:3-4
- Day 13: Isa. 54:5-6
- Day 14: Isa. 54:7-9
- Day 15: Isa. 54:10
- Day 16: Matt. 28:18-20
- Day 17: Isa. 41:10
- Day 18: John 15:1-2
- Day 19: John 15:3-4
- Day 20: John 15:5-6
- Day 21: John 15:7-8
- Day 22: John 15:9-11
- Day 23: 1 Cor. 1:10
- Day 24: Psa. 139: 1-2
- Day 25: Psa. 139:3-4
- Day 26: Psa. 139:5-6
- Day 27: Psa. 139:7-8
- Day 28: Psa. 139:9-10
- Day 29: Psa. 139:11-12
- Day 30: Psa. 139:13-14
- Day 31: Psa. 139:15-16



From the Pastor's Desk

We cannot direct the wind but we can adjust the sails.

(Author Unknown)

You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

(Philippians 2:5)

Have you ever noticed just how much impact attitude has on life? A person with a bad attitude can have everything going their way and still be completely miserable. On the other hand, some people have such a positive attitude that they can find good in even the worst circumstances. For example, consider the woman in this little tale I recently ran across:

A woman who woke up one morning, looked in the mirror, and saw she had only three hairs on her head. "Great," she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today." So she did, and had a wonderful day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that she now had only two hairs on her head. "Hmm," she said, "I guess I'll part my hair down the middle." So she did, and had a wonderful day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that she had only one hair left on her head. "Wow," she said, "today I get to wear my hair in a pony tail." So she did, and had a wonderful, wonderful day.

The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that there wasn't a single hair on her head.

"Thank goodness!" she exclaimed. "I was running out of things to do with my hair!"

Having the proper attitude is essential because it's one thing we can actually change. Often it's very difficult or even impossible to change the circumstances we find ourselves in or the challenges we're confronted with. And as much as we'd like to, we can't go back in time and change the past. However, we do have the power to change how we react and respond to these things by changing our attitude. In every situation, we can choose to adopt an unhealthy, negative attitude. Or, like the woman in the mirror, we can choose to look at our lives through the eyes of a positive attitude, one that sees a blessing in every curse and an opportunity hidden in every challenge.

Making the right choice, of course, isn't always easy. But the Bible assures us that with the help of the Holy Spirit, it's a choice we can and should make. That's why in Philippians 2, Paul commands us to "have the same attitude as Christ Jesus."

Chuck Swindoll puts it this way: "The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you. We are in charge of our attitude."

Is life presenting you with some attitudinal challenges at the moment? If so, I hope that you will find the grace to follow our Lord and make the make the right choice.

And in so choosing, may you have a wonderful, wonderful day!

Grace and Peace,



UPDATE:



Dear Church Family,

We hope you are having an awesome summer and soaking in all the sunshine, relaxation and fun as you can. As you may, or may not, have heard, Michael and I have resigned as the Youth Leaders at St. Andrews effective June 30th, 2023. We shared this news with the Youth at our Youth campfire recently but know that you were not all present, hence the purpose of this letter. While this may seem like a fast decision, we have prayerfully thought about our choice to step away for a while now and believe that God is directing us to a new chapter.

In a similar manner, over five years ago we felt a nudge from God to volunteer with the Youth and following that calling led to a wonderful ministry. We have SO enjoyed being a part of the Youth's lives and their Christian journeys. So many wonderful memories, joys, sorrows and laughs have been shared over the years. At this time, the church does not have an exact plan for the Youth group this fall. Parents will be invited to a meeting to discuss possible options in the near future.

We want to personally thank you all for all that you have done to support the Youth ministry at St. Andrews. We have truly appreciated all your support, prayers and help. We ask that you continue to pray for discernment & wisdom for our church leaders as they navigate these next few months. May we all continue to feel God's nudges and follow where He calls us.

With love,

Leslie
and
Michael

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday — 8:00am-1:00pm

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August 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Email: saumc@ptd.net</p> <p>Website: saumcmilton.org</p> <p>Facebook: facebook.com/standrewsumcmilton</p>	<p>1 7:00pm Christian Education Mtg</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 4:00-7:00pm Community Outdoor Game Night - Includes: Inflatable, Games, & a Treat</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>7 5:00-5:45pm Community Harvest</p>	<p>8 6:00pm Worship Mtg 7:00pm Trustee Mtg</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 *Blessing of Backpacks</p>	<p>14 5:00-5:45pm Community Harvest</p>	<p>15 Sept. Newsletter Article Deadline</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21 5:00-5:45pm Community Harvest 7:00pm Ad Council Mtg</p>	<p>22 6:30pm Outreach & Float Mtg</p>	<p>23 9:00am Mail Sept. Newsletter</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 *Communion</p>	<p>28 5:00-5:45pm Community Harvest</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Save the date: Thursday, August 31st</p>  <p>Save a Life. Give Blood</p> <p>More Details Soon</p> </div>	

Notes from the Kitchen

coffee



COFFEE MACHINE:

Please make sure to empty used coffee grounds after each use.

GAS OVEN USAGE:

Please make sure all dials are off as well as returning oven temperature dial to OFF position.

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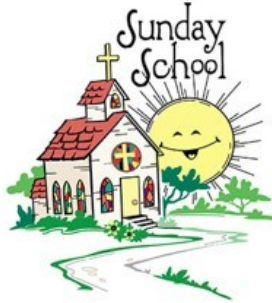


REFRIGERATORS:

Reminder that ALL items must be ***dated*** and ***labeled*** - please include your name or group.

Please help us keep this area
of our church clean and tidy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



St. Andrew's children will need a new Sunday School teacher beginning September 3rd. If anyone is interested in teaching either Pre k through 2nd grade or 3rd grade through 5th grade, please let Crystal Wertz know.

The Christian Education Committee will hold a meeting Tuesday, August 1st at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan on attending this meeting to discuss fall activities.



Would you like to bless us with Altar Flowers?

Sign-Up in Lobby at Kitchen Door or Contact the Office.

We can order from florist of your choice or you could make your own. (a Solo Cup fits the vases perfectly!)

St. Andrew's United Methodist Church

COMMUNITY OUTDOOR GAME NIGHT

August 3, 2023 ~ 4-7pm

102 Lower Market Street - God's Lot

INFLATABLE

GAMES

TREAT



Upholding our Members in Prayer

In keeping with HIPPA privacy regulations, we list only the names of
Members and active Attendees who agree to be listed.

Please help us keep the list updated with additions, removals

and any corrections by contacting the church office. Thank You!



Pastor Mark Brumbach	Janet Lee	Robert Riehl
Randy Coup	Jane Lentz	Dale & Lou Ann Sheets
Diane Delcamp	Richard McSwain	Fred Simon
Ruth Easley	Aaron Merwin	Sylvia Smith
Linda Emery	Devynn Napp-Barker	Glenn & Ida Snyder
Larry Emery	Julie Neilson	Pastor Michael Stine
David Everitt (Navy)	Sean Neilson (Navy)	Sharon & Corey Wert
Marlene Fama	Edith Noaker	Kathy & Gary Wieand
Peggy Fullmer	Helen Phillips	Richard Winter
Nancy Geiger	Judy Pursell	Emma Zeager & Family
Sylvia Hendricks	Fred Ranck	Elizabeth Zerbe
Denise Larsen		

Milton N&R- Ward Walter, Lois Wagner, Mary Scholl, Gary Rute, Shirley Wilver

Riverwoods- Nancy Stahlnecker, Edna Walter, Sylvia Smith (Rehab)

Watson town N&R- Lucille Zellers, Betty Lou Hillsey, Peg Cravatt

Missionaries we support and their missions.

Red Bird Mission

James and Bernice Keech – Board of Global Missions

Sierra Leone Initiative: Partner Church

– Zimmi United Methodist and Pastor Dominic Kanu

Dr. Christiana Hena and her ministry with Healthy Women/Healthy Liberia.

St. Andrew's UMC Prayer Chain

Call – Mercy Gray @ 570-701-7948 or Edith Noaker @ 570-742-4756

Why Is The Music Muted?

All Music that we Stream on Facebook Live or SECV8 on Tuesday is under copyright. We purchase music licenses from two companies, but sometimes an artist still doesn't release the song for use. We do not want to restrict what our performers can share, so we temporarily mute to protect our videos. During COVID many Christian songs were under a temporary release as churches found streaming helped keep members involved in a worship experience. Unfortunately, this has expired.

ANNIVERSARIES

NEILSON, RICHARD & JULIE	10	RICHIE, NATHAN & LAUREN	22
RITENOUR, JEFF & JESSICA	12	LAYTON, ROBERT & CAROL	24
SHEARER, MARK & KELLY	13	NAPP, GARY & REBECCA	25
RUTE, GARY & BONNIE	14	FULTZ, JOHN & SANDRA	28
TAYLOR, ADAM & ALAINA	14		

BIRTHDAYS

CHRISTIE ANDERSON	1	CATHY BENNAGE	15
SARAH MILLER	1	KINLEE LYTLE	15
FAYE ZEHNER	1	JEAN ZARTMAN	15
MELISSA MCKEE	2	DONALD WIRTH	16
ADDISON KRAUS	3	JAYRENE MOLINERO	17
C. ANDREW THOMAS	3	GARY SNYDER	18
KEITH ENGLISH	4	DAVID BASTIAN	19
JOEY HASSAN	5	JOSHUA EARNEST	20
TYLER STOKES	5	DANE NEILSON	20
LINDSAY YERG	5	NICHOLE TAYLOR	20
AMANDA SMITH-DERCK	6	STEVEN ERB	21
CODY MAGARGLE	7	BRANDON HERMAN	21
LINDA COOK	8	BILL MILLER	21
CINDY HOFFMAN	8	ALICE MURRAY	23
ARNELLA WILVER	8	JAREN TILFORD	23
DALE MILLER	9	CHERI (RANCK) FARST	28
KARINDA TRAPANE	9	BETTY LOU HILLSEY	28
DEBORAH SIMON	10	JENNIE KEEFER	28
ANDREW SHRECK	11	ELAINE LLOYD	28
RONIN STRADLING	11	DEVIN REEDY	28
VICKIE LEECH	12	BERTHA FREY	29
BECCA KURTZ	13	GARY FULLMER	29
SCOTT CHRISMER	14	CHARLES REA	29
ANGELA GEIGER	14	STEVE BOWERS	31
LAYLA RAE RICHIE	14	NOAH STAHL	31

VOLUNTEERS SERVING — August 2023

Ushers

David Stahl, Chief	
Jeff Diggan	Frank Stitely
Deborah Simon	Samuel Haulman
Terry Napp	Barry Bowers, Jr.

Altar Stewards

Rich & Julie Neilson

GREETERS

6	Susan Bastian
13	Krissy & Cody Lytle
20	Bonnie Thomas
27	Mercy Gray



LOVE PATROL

6	Leslie Porter & Jim Neuer
13	Mary Richie & Barry Bowers, Jr.
20	Sandee Stitely & Dan Baker
27	Lisa McManus & Michael Porter

Financial Stewards

Mercy Gray & Dave Miller

ACOLYTES

6	Helen Wertz
13	Jane Wertz
20	Irene Dick
27	Kinlee Lytle

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

6	Michelle McElwee & Delaney Kraus
13	Deb Fox & Alivia Ritenour
20	Lara/Claire Dick & Chloe Bastian
27	Krissy Lytle & Lauren Richie

Financial Picture

<i>2023</i>	<i>June 2023</i>	<i>Year-to-date totals</i>
<u>CURRENT</u>		
Budgeted	23,953.69	143,722.06
Receipts	64,515.78	235,493.80
Expenditures	70,892.35	251,984.65
<u>MISSION</u>		
Budgeted	4,373.95	26,243.61
Receipts	3,281.05	18,401.76
Expenditures	3,049.42	24,415.78
<u>FAITH PROMISE</u> (non-budget)		
Receipts	65.00	820.00
Expenditures	0.00	1,579.00
<u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT</u>		
Budgeted	0.00	0.00
Receipts	254.08	1,524.46
Expenditures	0.00	0.00
<u>TRUSTEE</u>		
Budgeted	3,341.64	20,050.16
Receipts	1,602.58	8,939.97
Expenditures	3,279.74	25,151.89
Rally Day Receipt. (non-budget)	0.00	245.00
<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>		
Budgeted	595.83	3,575.02
Receipts	729.32	2,336.69
Expenditures	385.13	2,420.32
Total Budget	32,265.11	193,590.85
Total Receipts	70,447.81	267,516.68
Total Expenditures	77,606.64	305,551.64