

ST. ANDREW'S Lutheran Church

September 2018

St. Andrew's Church Picnic

September 23, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

Saluda Shoals Park in the Paw Paw Shelter

8:30 a.m. service will be at the church as usual, and the 11:00 service will be held at the park.

There will be no Sunday School, with the exception of the Sojourner's Sunday School, which will meet at its usual time.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. You may bring a folding chair, but some will be provided.

The Saluda River Band (a bluegrass band) will be helping lead worship and also perform at the picnic.

Please join us for this fun worship and fellowship experience!
This is a great opportunity to invite a friend.



A Word from Pastor Trump

In the State paper there was a brief article about two men, age 72 and 70,who got into a fist fight at a Sam's Club when one of them cut in front of the other in the "free food sample" line. If this was in a movie titled GRUMPY OLD MEN it would be funny. When it is true, it is sad. I am sure this is said by every generation, but, "what has become of this world?" Maybe the struggle to live at peace with one another is never ending? Ephesians tells us: "I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." What is our calling? Our calling is not simply a job or a career but rather, we are called to be those who bear one another in love and work to maintain the bond of peace. This is not simply with those we know who worship with us, but also those we run into at Sam's and anywhere we live and play. Certainly we bear one another in love in



this place. And by the way, if you cut in front of someone on the way to communion, that's fine. Honestly.

We Pray For...

Friends & Relatives

- ♥ Corbett Anderson, nephew of Amy Vickers and grandchild of Mike and Susan Beeler
- 🕆 Tony Ayoub, brother of Mandy Glowacki
- Petra Blackwell, daughter of Steve and Pat Blackwell
- ♣ Maria Casey, mom of Joe Casey
- ♣ Stephen Finger, friend of Jan Bass
- ♦ Sandra Ouzts, sister of Debra Ouzts
- Deborah Bumgarner, mother of Alyson Shirer
- → Joe Fricker, father of Melissa Ray
- ☼ Keith Ray, brother of Hank Ray
- ❖ Sally Thompson, sister-in-law of Patsy South
- ₱ Jamie Sanders, daughter of Shirley Sanders
- 🕆 Janette Gardner, aunt of Vickie Barfield
- Phil Johnson, cousin of Vickie Barfield
- Paulene Pierce, mother of Kimberly Von Schweinitz
- The Gene Huffstetler, uncle of Carol Cochrane
- ♣ Betsy Friedrich, served on staff 2010-2011
- Alan Watson, brother of Chris Watson

Members in Extended Care

- 🕆 James Baldwin, Lowman Home
- ♣ Margie Shealy, Lowman Home
- 🕆 Adrian Trexler, The Brian Center
- ♣ Marian Reeves, Generations in Chapin, S.C.

Members with health concerns

- Rachel Potts, undergoing cancer treatments
- ♣ Greta Robinson, recovering from knee surgery
- ₱ Jackie Darby
- ₱ Madge Bartsch, Parkridge
- ₱ David Fisher

Homebound

- ♣ Sarah Cook
- Martha Ferguson
- † Lois Fulmer
- ₱ Pete Cox



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Debbie Grabbatin upon the birth of her grandson, Elliott Parks Grabbatin, who was born on August 8, 2018.

Congratulations to Sarah Holland and Mike Louden upon their recent engagement.

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In memory of Joseph Casey, given by the Lutheran Men In memory of Michael Kelly, given by the Lutheran Men In memory of Elizabeth Meetze, given by the Lutheran Men In memory of Joseph Casey, given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Galarneau

In memory of Rosa Barrett, given by Jeanette Porter, Wanda Busby and Judy Glover

In memory of Rosa Barrett, given by Kim Crawford

In memory of Rosa Barrett, given by Robin Moseley

In memory of Rosa Barrett, given by David and Lula Wilson

In memory of Marjorie Fulmer, given by David and Lula Wilson

In memory of Russell Lender, given by Carol Cochrane and son William

In memory of son, Barrett, given by Patricia Blackwell

In honor of Robert and Dollie Lunsford, given by C.L. and Barbara Ridgeway

In honor of Pastor Trump, given by Margie Miles

College Addresses Needed

Parents, please send your college student's address to Lina in the church office so that we can make sure your student receives the church newsletter each month and also care packages later in the year!



Kairos Fall Retreat

Plans for the Kairos retreat are being made. Details to follow in the bulletin and e-news. If you have any questions, call Charles Dawkins at 356-4687.

7th - 12th graders MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

September 9

Noon - 3:00 p.m.—Pool party at the Derrick's neighborhood pool.

September 16

12:30 - 2:30 p.m. - 7th-8th grade confirmation with parents.

Sunday, September 23

Kayaking on the Saluda River following the church picnic.

Sunday, September 30

Confirmation during Sunday School.



Luther League (3rd-6th grades)

Luther League will be meeting on September 17, after the church picnic at Saluda Shoals for some sort of park adventure. Watch for details!

Backpack Program with E. E. Taylor

School has started, which means it's time to help feed our friends at EE Taylor Elementary School!

Last year, we funded "Backpacks" for 45 students and packed for an additional 20 students that received funding through a grant at EE Taylor. That was a total of 65 students we packed for EACH WEEK! Our goal this year is to raise funding for 45 students again. The past few years it has cost \$7.50 per child per week, or roughly \$250 per child for the school year to provide a weekend worth of meals that these students otherwise may not have. We anticipate the numbers being very similar again this year. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a backpack, or part of a backpack, to help these students be fed on the weekends.

What other ways can you help?

- Help setup food that Harvest Hope delivers, usually on the first Thursday of each month
- Deliver backpacks to EE Taylor Elementary on Friday mornings (once a semester or monthly...every delivery counts!)
- Pack food one Sunday a month (typically the first or second Sunday of each month)

Please contact Paige Gates if you are willing to help in any way with this ministry at (803) 727-6962 or paigewalrath@yahoo.com. Thank you all for your continued support of this ministry each year as we are able to provide for those in our community who need us. You are all a blessing to these students!

Matthew 25: 35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

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Groups



Agape Circle will meet Wednesday, September 5, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Living Water Circle will meet Thursday, September 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the conference room. Come join us for fun and fellowship!

Looking Ahead!

On September 27, at 12:00 noon, in the Fellowship Hall, our combined circles will host the annual Lowman Home and Young at Heart luncheon. What a wonderful treat this will be for Lowman Home residents and our own Young at Heart.

The St.Andrew's
Women (need we say more)
of the
Evangelical (spread the word)
Lutheran (500 years and counting)
Church (our body of believers)
in
America (our homeland)

wish you to join them at their September Meetings.

Lutheran Men in Mission

The Mission of the Men at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church is to find community among one another, support one another along our journeys of Faith, and to share our resources, talents, and abilities in the mission of our congregation.

In Case You Missed It.....

At the previous meeting of Lutheran Men, we ate sandwiches and wings from Publix, Pedro Robles shared his Faith Journey; we read a Bible passage about grief and mourning; we discussed hosting a men's breakfast, the next retreat, and changing the time of Lutheran Men meetings.

Join Us on September 11!

Please join us on September 11, 2018 @ 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for dinner. Pastor Trump is cooking and leading us on a Bible study. He promises it will be different than the previous Sunday's sermon!

First time coming to Lutheran Men? Let us buy you dinner. Please contact Joe Casey @ 803-556-8263 for any questions or concerns.

Come see the great things the Lutheran Men are doing each month!

Ladies Book Club



Date: Friday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Sandra Holland is leading the discussion and Mary Lynn Tolleson is our host. If you are interested in being a part of this group or would like more information, please contact Jenny Land at (803) 741-4641.



Anyone interested in Acting?

We are going to try and expand on what we lovingly call "Bible Play day." The goal is to include some adults and youth in short dramas in worship when appropriate. You would also be asked from time to time to help out with the Bible Play day skits. Any one in 2nd grade through senior citizen is welcome to be a part of this ministry.

If you are interested please email Pastor Trump at jtrump@salutheran.com. No Oscar or Tony awards necessary to apply.

School Supply Drive for E. E. Taylor





The Social Ministry school supply drive for E. E. Taylor was a huge success. Sybil Long, Patsy South, Jolene Staltzer and Lessia Lynch packed all the supplies and delivered them to E. E. Taylor Elementary School on Wednesday, August 22. Thank you to all who donated supplies. Because of you, the teachers and students at E. E. Taylor will have what they need to start another successful school year!

Breakfast for Men of the Lutheran Faith



Please join us for breakfast, catered by Lizards Thicket, on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The breakfast is intended for all men at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. We will have some time to grow in Faith & Fellowship while exploring the Bible.

Any questions, concerns, or ideas, please contact Joe Casey @ (803) 556-8263 or josephwilliamcasey@gmail.com.

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Kick-Off Sunday

and Blessing of the Backpacks





We kicked off the new Sunday School year on August 19. The children met in the Fellowship Hall for music and then were dismissed to their new classes. We had a record number of children, many of whom brought their backpacks for a special Blessing of the Backpacks. The backpacks were blessed during the 11:00 service and we prayed for all the students, teachers and the new school year.

Tables of Grace begins this month!

If you have been involved in the past, no need to sign up again, we have you down. You may "opt out" if you are not interested in being a part of this round. If you have not participated, please sign up by contacting Tracy Folk at tracy1961@gmail.com.

If you'd be willing to host of group of 6 or 8, let her know that as well. You never have to host to participate, but if you do decide to host, everyone can bring things to contribute to the meal. The host gets to decide the details.

The group as a whole picks a date sometime during a 2 or 3 month time frame. It's quite simple, but it serves an important purpose of getting church folks together who don't know each other.



Finance

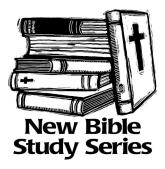
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Offering Envelopes

If you give your offering to St. Andrew's regularly by using the online access and are still receiving offering envelopes, please let us know if you'd like to save the church some money by canceling your envelopes. Please contact the church office with this request.

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Education



DISCIPLES' BIBLE STUDY

Disciples' Bible study is beginning again. This is a great time to join us. We are in the book of Acts but the first class will be a quick summary of what we have covered so far. It is a fascinating book all about the early church. Please do not make the mistake of thinking you have to already KNOW the Bible to STUDY the bible! That's why it's called STUDYING!

Monday, September 10 at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 12 at 5:30 p.m.

Something New in Adult Sunday School

In June, 10 youth and 3 adults from St. Andrew's attended the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. Each evening of the event was spent in a stadium with 30,000 youth and adults listening to speakers. All of the speakers were engaging and interesting and spoke on topics related to life and faith. Beginning in October, the Connections Class and the Genesis Class will be studying the same topic as the youth Sunday School class by watching some of the videos from the youth gathering speakers and discussing the subject matter. This should be an interesting way to spark conversation within families and our church family. Come visit one of the Sunday School classes, even if you've never come before. We promise you'll learn something and feel more connected to others in the congregation.

Congratulations to Todd Cook!

Congratulations to Todd Cook upon a call to Miller's Lutheran Church in Hickory, NC. His ordination will be on Saturday, September 15, at St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church (612 S. College Road) in Wilmington, North Carolina, at 2:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Todd attended LTSS and served as our seminary intern in 2016-2017.



Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes for 7th and 8th graders will be held Sunday, September 16, at 12:30 p.m. with lunch, and Sunday, September 30, during Sunday School.



The church office will be closed on September 3 for Labor Day. If you have an emergency, please contact Pastor Trump at 920-2722 or Sandra Holland at 269-9659.

Council Highlights

- Tom Henry called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.
- The devotion was led by Susie Derrick.
- Minutes of the July 2018 meeting were approved.
- Tom noted that teams will meet after services on Sunday, Sept. 9.
- Pastor Trump's and Sandra Holland's reports were accepted as distributed.
- Finance: Tom Henry noted that giving overall is improving but we are still behind. In July, we received \$11,902 more than actual expenses and \$10,886 more than budgeted expenses. YTD giving through July was \$6,038 less than actual expenses and \$19,084 less than budgeted expenses. The Finance Team will work to have the first draft of the annual ministry plan ready for review at the September Council meeting. Council members are asked to submit any special budget requests to Phillip Jenkins or Judy Venturella.
- Property: A report submitted by the Property Team noted improvements to restrooms, including the installation of diaper changing stations in the restrooms upstairs. Council received a narthex lighting report from Steve Blackwell.
- Stewardship: A report submitted by this team noted that work is progressing on the 2018 stewardship focus on "grace, gratitude, and giving."
- Witness and Fellowship: The annual church picnic will be held Sept. 23 at the Paw Paw Shelter in Saluda Shoals Park. The 11 a.m. worship service will be held outdoors under the shelter, and the picnic will begin immediately after.

New Business

- Tom announced that the action taken by Council in July to approve an increase in Pastor Trump's continuing education fund to allow for participation in the Leadership for Faithful Innovation project was, as it turns out, unnecessary as there are enough monies in the fund to cover the expense. Pastor Trump asked Council to identify lay leaders in the congregation for possible participation in the project. (Leadership for Faithful Innovation is a three-year study funded through the Lilly Foundation and coordinated by the S.C. Synod and Luther Seminary.)
- The Social Ministry Team has proposed that St. Andrew's participate in the Lutheran World Relief project Quilts and Kits, which collects and distributes quilts and care kits for mothers and children in areas where families are affected by poverty and/or disaster. Our church would allow a collection truck to be placed in the parking lot periodically for short periods of time to hold items from donors throughout the area, and St. Andrew's will provide one volunteer coordinator to plan for and coordinate collection days. A motion to accept this proposal was approved by Council.
- Council considered a proposal to begin a yoga ministry program to build upon the positive response to yoga classes offered this summer by Vicky Henderson and Mary Lynn Tolleson. Council approved moving forward to explore logistical possibilities. A motion to offer a yoga series for 10 weeks in the fall with payment to leaders totaling no more than \$500, an overage to the witness and fellowship budget, was approved.
- Council approved a motion to spend \$2,123 from the property use budget to improve two restroom facilities, including new stall partitions, mirrors, and paint.
- It was agreed that replacement of downlights in the pulpit area would be paid for through the previously approved narthex lighting project fund.

Unfinished Business

- Tom Henry continues to identify and research opportunities to improve the security of church buildings
 and property and to implement policies to ensure the safety of church staff, members, and others using
 church facilities.
- Pastor Trump led a discussion of the last chapters of Shift by Mark Tidsworth.

Closing: Pastor Trump led prayers for parish concerns.

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Ministry Reminders

September 2

Counters: Mary Ann & Dot Meador

Flowers: Casey Family Greeters: 8:30 a.m. TBD

11:00 a.m. Patsy South **Reader:** 8:30 a.m. Sharon Berger

11:00 a.m. Buddy Lewis

Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Lula Wilson 11:00 a.m. Darrick Williams

Lay Assistant: Jay Folk

Acolyte: TBA

Crucifer: Caroline Shirer **Nursery:** Jenny Land

Grounds: (September 1) Jay Folk & Ron Walrath **Council Collections:** Claire Birdsong, Sybil Long,

Joe Casey

Recycling: Beth Mullins

September 9

Counters: Pat DuBose & Anita Murphy

Flowers: Tom & Theresa Henry

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Lynwood & Carolyn Swittenberg

11:00 a.m. Judy Moir

Reader: 8:30 a.m. Tom Henry

11:00 a.m. Kara Montgomery

Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Tom Bane

11:00 a.m. Beth Trump

Lay Assistant: Ron Walrath

Acolyte: Gracie Daly Crucifer: Will Shirer Nursery: Carol Cochrane

Grounds: (September 8) Chris Daly & Jay Montgomery **Council Collections:** Claire Birdsong, Sybil Long,

Joe Casey

Recycling: Whanna Bouknight

September 16

Counters: Bobbie Bell & Susan Beeler

Flowers: TBD

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Teresa Ratliff

11:00 a.m. Shirley Swanson

Reader: 8:30 a.m. Tom Bane

11:00 a.m. Sybil Long

Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Theresa Henry

11:00 a.m. Bob Venturella

Lay Assistant: Mandy Glowacki Acolyte: Makenna Schodowski Crucifer: George Schodowski Nursery: Trisha & Tim Grambow

Grounds: (September 15) Jason Godfrey & Beth Mullins **Council Collections:** Claire Birdsong, Sybil Long,

Joe Casey

Recycling: Josh and Paulene Cruse

September 23

Counters: Sharon Berger & Barbara Weaver

Flowers: Carol Cochrane

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Sandra Ringer

11:00 a.m. Shirley Sanders

Reader: 8:30 a.m. Theresa Henry

11:00 a.m. Deborah Slice

Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Sharon Berger

11:00 a.m. Judy Venturella

Lay Assistant: Kasarah Boiter Acolyte: Rebecca LaSalle Crucifer: Kaylee Schodowski

Nursery: Deb Varco

Grounds: (September 22) John Mackenzie & Bryan Potts

Council Collections: Claire Birdsong, Sybil Long,

Joe Casey

Recycling: Chris & Jessica Daly

September 30

Counters: Bobbie Bell & Susan Beeler

Flowers: Skillman Family

Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Tom & Theresa Henry

11:00 a.m. Buddy Lewis

Reader: 8:30 a.m. Hal Ray

11:00 a.m. Steve Slice

Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Tom Henry

11:00 a.m. Tom Bane

Lay Assistant: Adam Lautenschlager

Acolyte: Michael Berger Crucifer: Eric Young Nursery: TBA

Grounds: (September 29) Tom Bane

Council Collections: Claire Birdsong, Sybil Long,

Joe Casey

Recycling: Mari Frye



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