

ST. ANDREW'S

Lutheran Church

August 2019

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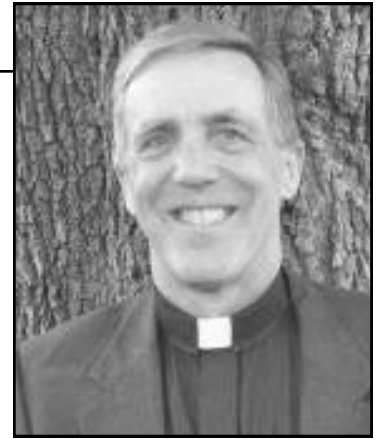
August 25

Children and youth will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. for music and then will be dismissed to classes.



A Word from Pastor Trump

If you are reading this you are doing so a good two weeks after it was written. Some things become old news in that amount of time. As I write our DRAMAMA camp is going full blast. The staff is amazing and I get to help but am not needed that much. There are a lot of challenges that go with the joys. Out of the 24 youth participating there are somewhere around 9 countries of origin represented. Often we have to remind the kids to "speak English" so that everyone is included. I wish I knew Swahili but I can only say hello. These youth all came to America through the legal refugee system. Unfortunately the number of people allowed to be considered for this method of immigration into our country is at an all-time low. These kids have been through very difficult times. One instructor was getting to know one of the kids and asked about her parents only to be told that they were both dead from violence in her home country.



Even some of the children who come to us from local schools live in poverty. These kids are joys. They are involved. For these two weeks they are a part of this church community. There have been some difficult moments but the staff is dedicated to keeping them all here. They are working with them. No one is going to be thrown out, and no one is going to be told to go back to where they came from. They are a part of us.

We are a part of a faith community with many opinions and feelings about a variety of things. I am thankful that we recognize that everyone belongs. Period. If we have differences we work on them. We talk to one another. We come together. After all, if we all go back to where we came from, we eventually all go back to God, in whom we are one.

Debbie Grabbatin is Retiring!!

Debbie has served our church faithfully and wonderfully for almost 30 years keeping the facilities clean and organized and running. We cannot begin to express our thanks and it will be impossible to really replace her. Debbie has always but always gone the extra mile, done the extra chore without asking or failure, been here for us in any way needed. She is a friend to all who know her. Now she has a grandson with whom she wants to spend more time and her husband Chuck is going through cancer treatments. The time is right. Keep Debbie and Chuck in your prayers.



We will have a reception honoring Debbie on August 4 after the 11:00 a.m. service. Join us!

Baptismal Promise Opportunity

If you are interested in teaching or assisting with Children's Sunday School please meet with Mandy Glowacki on Sunday, August 4 or August 11 at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor. We will discuss the curriculum, location of resources and Kick-Off Sunday on August 25.

If interested but not able to attend either date, please email her at mariglow1998@gmail.com or call/text her at (803) 351-5738.



Friends & Relatives

- ✝ Corbett Anderson, nephew of Amy Vickers and grandchild of Mike and Susan Beeler
- ✝ 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
- ✝ Joe Fricker, father of Melissa Ray
- ✝ Keith Ray, brother of Hank Ray
- ✝ Sally Thompson, sister-in-law of Patsy South
- ✝ Janette Gardner, aunt of Vickie Barfield
- ✝ Phil Johnson, cousin of Vickie Barfield
- ✝ Mark Bogard, cousin of Theresa Henry
- ✝ Ernie Davis, friend of Lee Bowling
- ✝ Jimmy Asbill, son of Shirley Swanson
- ✝ Bonnie Seibert, cousin of Jada Mitchell

Members with health concerns

- ✝ Allen Semones, undergoing cancer treatments
- ✝ Linwood Swittenberg, recovering at home

Members in Extended Care

- ✝ James Baldwin, Lowman Home
- ✝ Margie Shealy, Lowman Home
- ✝ Adrian Trexler, The Brian Center
- ✝ Madge Bartsch, Generations of Chapin
- ✝ Martha Ferguson, NHC Parklane

Homebound

- ✝ Sarah Cook
- ✝ Lois Fulmer
- ✝ Pete Cox



Our prayers are with **Judy Bowling** upon the death of her sister Virginia Hynd Burkett.

Our prayers are with **Lee Bowling** upon the death of his nephew, Christopher Tucker.

Our prayers are with **Mary Watson** upon the death of her nephew, Doug.

Our prayers are with **Jenny Land** upon the death of her brother, Michael Monroe Hodges.

Our prayers are with **Betty Dawkins** upon the death of her sister.

Our prayers are with **Robin Aldrich** upon the death of his uncle, Ed.

In Memory of...

In memory of Rachel Potts, given by Anne Goff.

In memory of Melissa Courtney, given by Gloria & Ed Bruce.

In memory of Rachel Potts, given by Kristine Thompson and Drake Riley.

In memory of Donnie Fulmer, given by Joseph Edens, III.

In memory of Rachel Potts, given by Barbara Wilkoc.

In memory of Donnie Fulmer, given by Kaye D. Miller.



Youth, Mark Your Calendars!

7th - 12th grade youth



Sunday, August 18

Youth Back to School Lake Party. We will head out to Mari Frye's house after church and return at 5 p.m. Please bring bathing suit, towel and sunscreen.

We welcome 7th grader **MaKenna Schodowski** into the youth group this year!



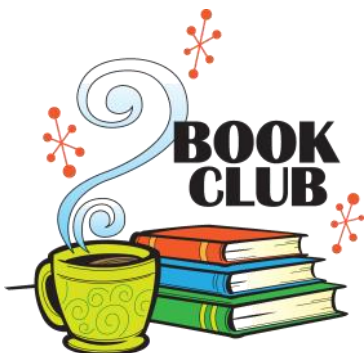
Family Pool Party - August 25

Family Pool Party at Quail Valley Pool (254 Hunters Blind Drive) from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. All Little Lutherans and Luther League Kids and their families are welcome to join us. The cost is \$5 per person for adults who will be swimming. The Children's Ministry Team is covering the cost for the children. Also, bring a lunch for your family. This will be a great way to kick off the school year and the Sunday School year since this is also Kick-off Sunday!

Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 25

All students are encouraged to bring their backpacks to church August 25 for a blessing. As you come in, please place your backpack by the baptismal font at the front of the church. It will be blessed during the service as we pray for all the students, and teachers as they begin a new school year.



All Booked Up

Date: Friday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m.

Host: Claire Birdsong

All Booked Up is a book club for all ladies of St. Andrew's to attend. If you are interested in being a part of this group or would like more information, please contact Jenny Land at (803) 741-4641.

GraceWorks

Graceworks is a weekday community service event for youth. It is modeled after WOW. More than seventy-five Lutheran youth came together June 9-14 to serve our community.



The following youth participated:

Peyton Player
Kaylee Schodowski
MaKenna Schodowski
Jake Semones

Want to experience a day in the life of someone experiencing poverty?

Mission Lexington (a Family Promise partner) will be hosting a Poverty Simulation on August 27, 2019, at Mt. Horeb United Methodist Church, 1205 Old Cherokee Road, Lexington, SC 29072.

If you want to experience a day in the life of someone experiencing poverty, please sign up. This training is free and will be VERY informative/enlightening.

Dinner will be held at 5:15pm, and the simulation begins at 6pm. This is a family friendly event; registration is required. Children ages 5+ are welcome to participate. Childcare provided for children under 5, please email anna@missionlexingtonsc.org in advance to reserve.

This will be great training for ALL of us (Board members, staff, Host Coordinators, volunteers, donors, etc.) Register online: lexpovertysim.eventbrite.com



Music Ministry News

“Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.” – Martin Luther

Each of our music groups provides an opportunity to share your talents, assist in worship leadership, be part of a small group ministry—and have fun! Each of our musical groups at St. Andrew’s welcomes additional members—there is always room for more!

Please contact Jenny Walrath, Nicholas Shumate, or the church office if you would consider becoming a part of any of our musical groups, or offering your musical gifts in other ways. Your heart will soar!

Handbell Choir meets on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00

pm. A basic knowledge of musical notation is required, but we will teach you the rest! **Rehearsals will resume in mid-August.**

Come, Join Us!



Adult Choir meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. You needn’t be a trained singer to come and offer your gifts. **Rehearsals resume July 31.**

Ensemble meets (generally) the first Sunday of the month immediately after 11:00 am worship. If you can’t commit to weekly rehearsals but yearn to offer your voice or instrument in worship, this casual group is the place for you! **Our next rehearsal will be Sunday, August 4.** Come see what we’re up to!

Percussionists or other instrumentalists are occasionally needed for some of our congregational song. Please contact Jenny if you’re willing to help out with this every now and again!

Children’s music for preschoolers through grade 6 takes place during the Sunday School hour in age-appropriate groupings. Don’t miss out on the fun!

Music Ministry Fall Kick-off Party

If you sing in choir or ensemble, ring a handbell, have shared your instrumental gifts in worship **or are interested in doing any of these things, this party is for you!**

Join us on August 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jay and Tracy Folk (166 Holly Ridge Lane, West Columbia) to celebrate the many musical gifts that are offered in worship, share fellowship and get to know others who share your passion for music at St. Andrew’s! Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share and the drink of your choice.

Questions? Contact Jenny Walrath (jwalrath@salutheran.com) or Nicholas Shumate (nshumate@salutheran.com).

Dramarama

Dramarama 2019 was a great success! The staff and students thank the people of St. Andrew’s for believing in this valuable project and special thanks to all who came to see the final performance. We made a positive difference in the lives of our students, and we hope to do it again next summer!



Miraculous Mission Vacation Bible School 2019







William Thomasson	8/6	Matthew Hawkins	8/23
Benjamin Taylor	8/8	Larry Young	8/24
Deborah Slice	8/10	James Ann Sheley	8/25
Linda Hughes	8/13	Paige Gates	8/26
Carroll Robinson	8/14	Phillip Jenkins	8/26
Aubrey Shaw	8/14	Peyton Player	8/26
Carole Amick	8/19	Abby Frye	8/29
Mary Lynn Fulmer	8/20	Curtis Murphy	8/29
Shirley Sanders	8/20	John Derrick	8/31
J. Michael Coleman	8/22		
Carl Bartlett	8/23		
Mike Beeler	8/23		



In the Meantime

In the Meantime will meet on **August 25** at 5:30 at the Hunter Gatherer Brewery/ Taproom, 1402 Jim Hamilton Boulevard by Owen's field. Join us for fun, fellowship and discussion. This event is for adults of all ages! Please join us!

Backpack Update – Paige Gates

Stay tuned as we get ready to ramp up for the start of the school year. I'm waiting to hear from Harvest Hope about any cost differences, but I predict it will be around \$7.50/child/week, or about \$250/child for the school year again this year. I also predict we will need hands on the first Thursday morning of the month to help setup our food delivery again this year. I will update with more details as I have them.

Please continue to keep our students at EE Taylor, and all those who are hungry, in your prayers this summer.

We are able to make a difference in these children's lives and it wouldn't be possible without you, the faithful SALC congregation! Stay safe!



Summer Stewardship

How we give back to God and your church has changed over the years. During the summer months, when attendance is rather spotty, it is critical that even when you are not here, your gifts are. Please continue to give even from a distance.



AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:30 a.m. WELCA Quilters	2	3
4 8:30 & 11 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Sojourner's Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Summer Sunday Fellowship 12:00 p.m. Reception for Debbie 12:15 p.m. Ensemble Rehearsal	5	6	7 5:45 p.m. Yoga 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal	8 9:30 a.m. WELCA Quilters	9	10
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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.

Council Highlights

Opening

Tom Henry called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Georgia Godfrey led the devotion. Council approved the minutes of the June 2019 as amended.

Pastor's and Deacon's Reports

Pastor Trump's and Deacon Holland's reports were accepted. Pastor Trump and Deacon Holland noted that St. Andrew's will partner this year with Ebenezer Lutheran Church and St. Paul's Lutheran Church to provide confirmation education for six students (two from each congregation).

Finance

Tom Henry reported that the church is meeting expenses and staying under budget. He reminded council members that teams should submit budget requests to the Finance Team as soon as possible. Giving for June 2019 was \$4,944 more than actual expenses and \$4,442 more than budgeted expenses. YTD giving through June 30 was \$1,863 more than actual expenses and \$15,866 less than budgeted expenses.

Property

Jay Folk lifted up the volunteers who are working on various property improvement projects and explained that project completions have been delayed because as volunteers have limited available work hours and because of unexpected maintenance and repair needs revealed as projects get under way. The icemaker in the kitchen and water fountain in the Sunday school wing have been replaced; progress continues with the restroom updates in the downstairs Sunday school wing; work will begin on the handicap-accessible restroom in August; pine straw mulch has been added to planting beds. Jay reported that there are two large potholes in the parking lot in critical need of repair. Council approved a motion to repair those specific areas using approximately \$960 from the Building Use Fund.

Unfinished Business

Pastor Trump reported that the narthex task force has requested proposals from two architectural firms – The Boudreaux Group and Watson Tate Savory – for the renovations and updates to the narthex, parlor, and sanctuary after determining that the scope of the project requires professional architectural guidance and management rather than merely interior design consultation. The task force will recommend the services of one of the architectural firms based on initial meetings and initial fee estimates, then the selected firm will prepare a design and cost proposal for Council and congregational approval.

The Gift Policy task force continues work on the second draft of a proposed policy document, incorporating ideas and answering questions submitted by Council members in June. When the gift policy is completed and approved by Council, the task force will begin a new draft of a proposed endowment policy.

St. Andrew's members representing the congregation in the Leadership for Faithful Innovation program for the coming year are Claire Birdsong, Beth Mullins, Susie Derrick, Joe Casey, Chris Watson, and Paul Osmundson.

Pastor Trump reported that Dramarama has been a very positive, rewarding experience for the children participating and for camp staff, noting that Dramarama welcomed children from more than a dozen countries and demonstrated that all are welcomed at St. Andrew's.

New Business

Our church sexton, Debbie Grabbatin, has announced her retirement after 30 years of service to St. Andrew's. The Property Team is seeking candidates to fill that position, and will be working on an official written job description based on the myriad tasks Debbie has assumed responsibility for over the years. The sexton is not an official member of staff but rather an independent contractor arranged through the Property Team. To honor Debbie and her service to the congregation Council will host a reception for Debbie on Sunday, Aug. 4, after the 11 a.m. worship service.

Closing: Pastor Trump led prayers for parish concerns.

Groups



Circles will not meet in August.

Living Water Circle will join the Agape Circle for the September meeting which will be on September 4, 2019. They have arranged for a program that will be of interest to both the Circle groups. Please watch for the time and place if any changes.



Please join the Lutheran Men for faith and fellowship on August 13, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for dinner. All men are welcomed to join us. Please bring a friend or bring your child... we will have a children's table as well. If it's your first dinner with us (or first one in

a long time) then dinner is on us! We typically ask for a \$5 donation for dinner. Come join us to break some bread as we share our faith journeys and find ways to support our congregation.

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.

5th Annual Night Out at the Ballpark

The Fireflies game was attended by 31 people and even though the Fireflies lost, it was a great time of fellowship and fun for all that attended!



Virginia Wingard Food Pantry

Each month, St. Andrew's Lutheran Church will be collecting nonperishable food to support this ministry. The Food Pantry has doubled the number of bags they hand out to people in need this year! Please drop your donated food in the shopping cart in the gathering area.

For the month of AUGUST, we'll be collecting:

- 14 to 16 oz. jar of peanut butter
- 20 to 24 oz. jar of jelly/jam
- Dry cereal (box or bag)
- 14-16 oz. can of fruit

Ministry Reminders

AUGUST 4

Counters: Mary Ann Jacobs & Dot Meador
Flowers: Tom & Theresa Henry
Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Mary DeHihns
11:00 a.m. Mary Ann Jacobs
Reader: 8:30 a.m. Theresa Henry
11:00 a.m. Steve Slice
Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. none
11:00 a.m. Deborah Slice
Lay Assistant: Sarah Potts
Acolyte: TBD
Crucifer: Kaitlyn Berger
Nursery: Casey
Grounds: (August 3) John Mackenzie, Bryan Potts
Council Collections: Paul Osmundson, Deborah Slice
Tom Henry
Recycling: Josh & Paulene Cruse

AUGUST 11

Counters: Pat DuBose & Anita Murphy
Flowers: Robert & Dollie Lunsford
Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Bernice Sims
11:00 a.m. Buddy Lewis
Reader: 8:30 a.m. Linda Hughes
11:00 a.m. Kristine Thompson
Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. none
11:00 a.m. Carl Bartlett
Lay Assistant: Adam Lautenschlager
Acolyte: Luke Bradley
Crucifer: Alyssa Gagliano
Nursery: Lucas
Grounds: (August 10) Chris Daly, Jay Montgomery
Council Collections: Paul Osmundson, Deborah Slice
Tom Henry
Recycling: Chris & Jessica Daly

AUGUST 18

Counters: Bobbie Bell & Susan Beeler
Flowers: Bud Beyer
Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Tom & Theresa Henry
11:00 a.m. Cathy Jordan
Reader: 8:30 a.m. Hal Ray
11:00 a.m. Olivia Tener
Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. none
11:00 a.m. Anna Berger
Lay Assistant: Donna Ray
Acolyte: Joshua Bruce
Crucifer: Maliyah Beckham
Nursery: Williams
Grounds: (August 17) Jason Godfrey, Beth Mullins
Council Collections: Paul Osmundson, Deborah Slice
Tom Henry
Recycling: Mari Frye

AUGUST 25

Counters: Sharon Berger & Barbara Weaver
Flowers: Mari Frye
Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Jolene Staltzer
11:00 a.m. Chris & Jenny Land
Reader: 8:30 a.m. Becca Kelly
11:00 a.m. Sybil Long
Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. none
11:00 a.m. Mandy Glowacki
Lay Assistant: Brian Teusink
Acolyte: Jake Derrick
Crucifer: Bailey Derrick
Nursery: Godfrey
Grounds: (August 24) Jay Folk, Ron Walrath
Council Collections: Paul Osmundson, Deborah Slice
Tom Henry
Recycling: Jay & Tracy Folk

SEPTEMBER 1

Counters: Mary Ann Jacobs & Dot Meador
Flowers:
Greeters: 8:30 a.m. Sharon Berger
11:00 a.m. Patsy South
Reader: 8:30 a.m. Sharon Berger
11:00 a.m. Deborah Slice
Communion Assistant: 8:30 a.m. Steve Slice
11:00 a.m. none
Lay Assistant: Beth Mullins
Acolyte: Gracie Daly
Crucifer: Peyton Player
Nursery: Land
Grounds: (August 31) Tom Bane, Chris Land
Council Collections: Beth Mullins, Mari Frye, Tom Bane
Recycling: Mandy Glowacki



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