



# Weekly CHATTER

JULY 5, 2020

NEXT OUTDOOR WORSHIP WILL BE ON SUNDAY, JULY 26TH.

## FROM THE PASTOR

Jesus' words to his disciples this week are simple. "You have been treated generously, so live generously" (Matthew 10:8, MSG).

Several years ago, a good friend shared with me the book, The Anatomy of Peace. One of the essential tenets from that book is that we choose to enter into the world with a heart at peace or a heart at war. A heart at peace, I believe, is at the heart of this lesson from Jesus. We can choose to live in such a way that emphasizes peace, welcome, hope and grace. The same gifts we have been given to be welcomed into the body of Christ are the same gifts we are called to extend to others. And how do we accomplish that, you may ask? A former seminary friend suggests this -- Listen, Learn, Repent, Pray, Act, Repeat.

Be blessed and blessings, friends...

*Pastor Sherri*

## CHURCH NEWS

### SURVEY UPDATE AND WORSHIP PLANS FOR JULY.

Thanks to everyone for completing the survey. 53 families participated and we are listening. You'll find a summary of the responses on the church's website. After considering your responses, consulting our janitorial service, and factoring best practices, the following is our worship schedule for July 2020:

Online only at 10:00 a.m. (ZOOM, Facebook Live, and YouTube) July 5th, July 12th, and July 19th.

In-person Outdoor Worship on Sunday, July 26th, at 10:00 a.m.

We are planning to resume In-person Indoor Worship on Sunday, August 2nd.



Online options for worship, including Cross Cultural at 1:00 p.m., and small groups will also continue through August. More details will be available mid-July.

**PRAYER MINISTRY.** Beginning July 7th and throughout the month, the Sanctuary will be open from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays for prayer. This is a not a corporate time of prayer, but individuals are welcome to come and spend 15 minutes in prayer for our church, community, and world. A prayer guide will be available to you when you arrive as well as instructions on how to keep yourself and others physically safe. We will also look at scheduling some evening hours as well and will update.



**VIRTUAL CLASSIC JESUS VBS.** Calling all children and families... come join us each Wednesday night in July for our Virtual Classic Jesus Vacation Bible School program. We will have activities and Bible Adventures each Wednesday night beginning July 8th at 6:30 p.m. You will be able to join us via zoom or YouTube so if you are not available on Wednesday, create your own family time to enjoy this time of fun and learning. We will have supply bags available for pick up beginning July 6th. Pick up times will be given out next week. We look forward to having you all hear and explore stories of Jesus with us. If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Jackson at [childrensministry@standrewsumc.com](mailto:childrensministry@standrewsumc.com).



**CROSS CULTURAL MINISTRY** will begin a weekly bi-lingual Bible study on Wednesday, July 8th, at 7:30 p.m. (following VBS). Contact Pastor David Ortigoza for more information, at [dortigoza@wncumc.net](mailto:dortigoza@wncumc.net).



**PRAYER REQUESTS UPDATE** – We are a praying church. Although we are not publishing or publicizing personal prayer concerns, we encourage you to share your concerns (health concerns included) by contacting the church office at 704-553-1327, ext. 100, or [churchoffice@standrewsumc.com](mailto:churchoffice@standrewsumc.com).

**OFFICE AND OFFERINGS** – Office Hours remain 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. And thanks for your continued financial support of SAUMC's mission and ministry!

**THE JULY/AUGUST UPPER ROOM IS NOW AVAILABLE.** One can be mailed to you or portico pick up is available during office hours. Online access is also available at [upperroom.org/devotionals](http://upperroom.org/devotionals).



- 1 Bruce Bailey
- 1 Herbert Thomas
- 3 Kenn Bullock
- 3 Bobby Cordless
- 4 Cynthia Poteat
- 4 Drew Sharpe
- 5 Dustin Morgan
- 7 Laura Arndt
- 8 Chris Tita
- 8 Kevin Wolfe
- 9 Elaine Wallace
- 11 Stephanie Dowless
- 11 Emily Fitzgerald
- 11 Bonnie White
- 12 Jordan Harris
- 12 Allison Unumb
- 14 Louise Hoover
- 15 Josh Corless
- 16 Kalea Barnes
- 16 Gail Lewyn
- 16 George White
- 16 Bob Wiker
- 17 Kelly Crosby
- 18 Tim Sanford
- 18 Justin Weeks
- 18 Chase Jones
- 19 Maria Jordan
- 20 Jackie Auville
- 21 Cindy Alvarez
- 21 Renee Owens
- 22 Lilly Faith Buzzard
- 22 Brian Dowless
- 22 James Sisk
- 23 Linda Collins
- 23 Ruth Mauldin
- 23 DeAnna Murray
- 24 Jennifer Bryant
- 24 Joshua Marshall
- 24 Emily Stevenson
- 25 Michael Gutierrez
- 26 Mark Collard
- 27 Peggy Gamwell
- 28 Ryan Farmer
- 29 Gina Collard
- 29 Kaela Hughes
- 29 Patti Huss
- 29 Don Jordan



The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

*2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NRSV)*