December 2014 - January 2015

St. Andrew's St. Andrew's United Methodist Church 1900 Emerywood Drive Charlotte, NC 28210 http://www.standrewsumc.com

A New Year's blessing to all...from the staff of St. Andrew's UMC It is a land the LORD your God cares for; the eyes of the LORD your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end.

Deuteronomy 11:12



give generously

# Sunday, January 18

#### UNITED METHODIST

# HUMAN RELATIONS Day

### your GIFT TODAY

PROVIDES ACCEPTANCE AND LOVE TO PEOPLE WHOM SOCIETY OFTEN REJECTS.



"I've been locked up 31 years. I never had a church, but now this is my church. ... Before Pastor Diane came, I stayed locked in my room the whole time. There was nothing to come out for, but now there is."

—BESSIE DODD member, Grace Place United Methodist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

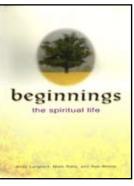


#### LEARN MORE AND GIVE ONLINE: WWW.UMCGIVING.ORG/HRD

#### **BEGINNINGS: THE SPIRITUAL LIFE STUDY.**

You're invited to join us for Beginnings: The Spiritual Life. Starting January 14th, each Wednesday at

6:30 p.m. (following the fellowship meal), we will take a look at basic Christian spiritual habits. This is for anyone who feels new to, or relatively unschooled in, developing the spiritual dimension of his or her life. Each week we'll watch a 15 minute video and follow with a brief discussion. We meet in the Family Life Center. Come join us.





### CHILDREN'S NEWS

### WONDER WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES?

Join us on Sunda, y January 11th, at 5:30 p.m. for a covered dish meal and to learn more about upcoming plans and share ideas that you may have for us to consider in the future.

Mark your calendar for January 14 as we kick off the new year with children on Wednesday nights. We are planning some new and fun activities and look forward to having lots of kids join us as we discover more about what the Bible has to teach us. Be on the lookout for some new and exciting information in January!

#### VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED ~ Won't you join us?

Be the welcoming face for guests and greet our St. Andrew's UMC families while also helping to support our Church Staff with light administative tasks. Both women and men are welcome. You may serve as a

regular reception team member, working at least one shift each week, or as a reserve team member who will be on call to serve when our regulars are not able. Our Reception Team serves Monday-Friday in 3-



hour morning or afternoon shifts, 9 a.m. - Noon or Noon to 3 p.m. Available shifts: Thursday afternoon and Fridays - both shifts. To volunteer, e-mail Vicki at churchoffice@standrewsumc.com or call 704-553-1327, ext. 100. **"THE PASTOR'S STUDY"** is set to begin again in the New Year. Tuesdays, starting January 13th, we will begin looking at a book together. The book is entitled, What Saint Paul Really Said: Was Paul of Tarsus the Real Founder of Christianity? The author is N. T. Wright, and the book is available in the usual places. It's even available as an ebook. While you don't have to read the book to come to the study and gain insight into the Apostle Paul, you will find that it helps you digest some of the more complex material. We meet from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., room #4, side door.



#### MARY LOU OWENS

**AWARD.** Congratulations to Ruth and Hurst Mauldin as the 2014 recipients of the Mary Lou Owens Service Award.

**HANNAH AND HER SISTERS** will meet on January 3 at 9:30 a.m in the Commons Room #1.

**SUSANNA CIRCLE** meeting will be on January 4, 2015 at 12:30 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

**MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE** next meeting is January 6, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. in the Commons Room #1.

**THE HARVESTERS.** The Harvesters will not meet in January. Join us for our first meeting in the new year on Thursday, February 5, at 10:30 a.m. in the Commons Room #1 and FLC #23.

**RUTH CIRCLE** meeting will be on January 13, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commons Room #1.

**UNITED METHODIST MEN** next breakfast meeting is on January 18 at 7:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall #2.

### **STAYING IN TOUCH**

Inez Weston

PRAYERS FOR... Hilda Bookout

Jane Williamson

#### THANK YOU

I would sincerely like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, and food sent to me and Larry during my recent injury. Words can't express how much our church has meant to us. The prayers have been felt and it was wonderful getting cards daily, and of course, we appreciate all the food brought to us. Larry has turned into a great cook, but not as good as the cooks at St. Andrew's!

Thank you again for everything. Mary Morris





## **LIBRARY NEWS**

We are pleased to see our Church Library being used, but some of our great books have gone missing. When you are doing your January cleaning after the holidays, please check under your couch, in your car, and on your nightstand to see if you have one of the books listed below. If so, please return it to the Library as soon as possible.

- Chicken Soup for the Soul Think Positive
- People Pleasures
- The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church (multiple copies)
- Christian Caregiving A Way of Life (multiple copies)
- Captivating
- Wild at Heart
- It's Easier to Reach Heaven
- Nurturing Your Child's Soul
- The Reason for God
- Outline for Growth
- Rattlebang
- Seven Words to Change Your Family
- The Life You Always Wanted
- 90 Minutes in Heaven
- The Giving Tree
- The Five People You Meet in Heaven (multiple copies)
- Making Poverty Personal
- Creative Aging
- What I Learned from the Dog

Happy New Year and a big thanks from your Church Library Committee.

**LOAVES AND FISHES.** Thanks to your help Loaves and Fishes has fed 63,600 people this year. Individually, that comes out to 20 lbs. per person. Loaves and Fishes is in need of donations throughout the year. Please donate canned items and be a blessing to someone in need.

#### **OUR UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** are

collecting Country Time Lemonade in the 5lb. 2.5 oz. size. These are used once a month when our United Methodist Women go to Urban Ministries to share a cup of lemonade and a smile. Help support our women with this ministry area. A collection bin is located in the narthex.





# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Emily Brinkley
- 2 Elaine Thompson
- 5 Michael Knotts
- 6 Kelly Henninger
- 7 Pauline Muntz
- 8 Brittany Kingry
- 11 Charles Medlin
- 11 Kevin Ward
- 12 Rebecca Gibson
- 12 Allison Pridgeon
- 14 Shirley Tripp
- 16 Vicki Lawson
- 16 Bill Scroggs
- 16 Dennis Slade
- 16 Faith Jelley
- 17 Bobby Hennecy
- 17 Madison Collard
- 17 Tate Brinkley
- 18 Julie Hester
- 18 Mark Hemenway
- 19 Freddy Holtkamp
- 19 Karin Gillespie
- 20 Myra Huntley

- 20 Landon Sherrill
- 21 Karen Harris
- 21 Scott Shepherd
- 21 Kevin Simpson
- 22 Kim Bradley
- 22 Karla Knotts
- 22 Linda Aucoin
- 22 Colton Grist
- 23 Carole Greene
- 23 Ashley Miller
- 23 Amy Penny
- 24 Ann Evans
- 25 Lonny Bass
- 25 Larry Thompson
- 25 Ed Morales
- 26 Sue Bullock
- 27 Ruth Drum
- 27 Bob Miller
- 27 Greg Boone
- 27 Meredith Pool
- 28 Nell Slade
- 28 Abby Poteat
- 29 Justin McMurray

<b>2015 Schedule</b>	<b>iedule</b>
Family Life Ce JANUARY	Family LIfe Center Service Coffee JANUARY
January 4	Don Jordan
	Penny Bryant
January 11	Amy Penny Shawn Penny
January 18	Liz Snyder
January 25	Mark Francis Don Jordan
	Penny Bryant
Recycle Pickup 2015 JanuaryGene	Recycle Pickup 2015 January Gene and Joyce Hennecy
Trustee Churc	Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up
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January Team Leader	Leader Jim Walkup
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