



**St. Andrew's
United Methodist Church**
1900 Emerywood Drive
Charlotte, NC 28210

<http://www.standrewsumc.com>

THE CHATTER

mother's DAY

Luncheon

SUNDAY, MAY 11

Serving at 11:30AM & 12:15PM

in the Family Life Center.

Deadline for sign up is Thursday, May 8th.

Enjoying this delicious meal will help our amazing youth and their adult volunteers serve God and neighbors in Wilmington, North Carolina this summer. We are going to work with Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministries (**WARM**) to do home repair projects.

Our menu will consist of grilled chicken, parmesan encrusted red skinned potatoes, roasted green beans, yeast rolls, and great desserts.

The Mission trip is from Sunday, July 20 through Saturday, July 26.

**Sign up sheets can be found in the Narthex
and the Family Life Center.**

**JULIE THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS DEADLINE MAY 1, 2014.**

The Julie Thomas Scholarship information and application packets have been mailed to all St. Andrew's high school seniors. The application deadline is Thursday, May 1, 2014, (no deadline extensions). Extra packets are available from the church office.

**THE METRO DISTRICT OF THE WESTERN
NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE**

will present our own Pat Smathers with a Laity Service Award on Sunday, May 4th at 3:00 PM at University City United Methodist Church, 3835 West W.T. Harris Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28269. You are welcome to join in this celebration which will honor Pat and others from Metro District Church's for the services that each recipient has provided to the many organizations around the world. As most of you already know Pat has been on many Mission trips which included visits to Africa, Eastern Europe, South America and various States within the USA. As you also know Pat is a faithful member of St Andrew's UMC. and she continues to serve and help in many ways for our church and Christian organizations in and around the Charlotte area each and every year.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
PROGRAM.**

St Andrew's UMC invites you to consider our new electronic giving program as a way to automate your regular weekly or monthly offering. Electronic giving is convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our church. There is no cost for you to participate. If you are currently giving on a weekly or monthly basis, you will no longer need to write out checks or prepare envelopes. And when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.



DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF DOZIER

MURRAY. Anyone who wishes to make a donation in memory of Dozier Murray may do so to the Wounded Warriors Project:

Wounded Warriors Project

P.O. Box 758517
Topeka, Kansas 66675

For: In Memory of Dozier Murray
In care of Martha Murray
10843 Carolina Acres Road
Fort Mill, SC 29707-7440

**ST. ANDREWS PRESCHOOL
ATTIC SALE
SATURDAY, APRIL 26 FROM 8:00AM - 12:00PM**



CHURCH WORK DAY!! Volunteers are needed on April 26 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm to work on the church grounds and buildings. Please bring shovels, rakes, hedge trimmers and painting equipment. Volunteers are also needed to provide refreshments throughout the work day.

THE HARVESTERS will meet on Thursday, May 1 at 10:30 AM. This is the last meeting until September. The program will be a team of clog dancers headed by Larry and Donna Yencer. Please bring food for Loaves and Fishes. If you are not already on a calling list, please contact Rosada Lackey at 704-551-6980 to make a reservation.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MUSIC CAMP.

Please put it on our calendar and plan to be a part of this event. The camp will be August 11-15, 2014. Our next planning meeting in on May 4 at 12:30pm in room #29.

MARY/MARTHA CIRCLE next meeting is May 6 at 12:00pm in the Commons Room #1.

RUTH CIRCLE meeting will be on May 13 at 10:00am in the Commons Room #1

HANNAH AND HER SISTERS will meet on Saturday, April 12 at 9:30 in the Commons Room #1.

UNITED METHODIST MEN next breakfast meeting is on May 18 at 7:45am in the Fellowship Hall #2.



YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

In Luke 10, we find the parable of the Good Samaritan and two seemingly simple commandments:

To love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength

To love our neighbor as yourself

Jesus gives us the example of a Samaritan man who does everything he can to extend mercy to his neighbor in need. We also find an “expert in the law”...someone we might call a “devout Christian” in today’s terms. This expert in the law hears a story that has in it two men he would easily call his neighbor (the Levite and the Priest) and a man (The Samaritan) that he would struggle to call his neighbor. It would have been a hard pill to swallow for this expert in the law to hear that the Samaritan man was the “good” neighbor. This is evident by the man’s unwillingness to swallow his pride and answer Jesus question by saying the Samaritan man was the good neighbor...instead, he simply answers “the one who had mercy on him”.

It is a simple story with a simple message, but it is a message that can be oh so hard to live out in our daily lives. I can think of no other youth program or activity that helps us to both learn to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and to learn to love our neighbor as our self more than the mission trip does each summer. We go on these trips with the intent of helping out folks whose homes are in disrepair and need attention that the owners themselves cannot afford to do. We leave the mission trip having had our own definition of neighbor redefined much like the expert in the law had his definition redefined. We leave the mission trip each year learning that loving our neighbor goes well beyond just working on their home, but comes in building a relationship with them and treat them as equals. We learn what it means to really love our neighbor and be loved by our neighbor. We also leave learning a great deal about what it means to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We go thinking we will be helping change someone’s life by doing a good deed but have our own lives changed instead by encountering God in areas we never expected to see God at work.

If you are on the fence about going on the youth mission trip, whether it be as a youth unsure if you want to give up a week of your summer break or if you are an adult wondering if you should be a chaperone, I ask that

you swallow your pride in a way the expert in the law refused to do, and come on the mission trip with your heart wide open to the work God is doing in Wilmington.

I promise you will not regret making the decision to go, and I promise your understanding of God, your understanding of neighbor, and your understanding of love will all be changed!

Youth Mission Trip Information:

Where: Wilmington, NC – Staying at First Presbyterian Church downtown Wilmington

What: Working with Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministries to fix up some of our neighbors homes

How much: \$150.00 for youth and no charge for adults (donations welcome) \$50.00 deposits are needed as soon as possible.

When: July 20th-26th

Who: Youth currently in 6th-12th grade can attend as participants, Safe Sanctuary trained and approved adults can attend as volunteer chaperones

If you would like more information in regards to our youth mission trip, please email (youth@standrewsumc.com) or call/text Kevin Ward, Director of Youth Ministries.

30 HOUR FAMINE

Dilworth UMC and St. Andrew’s UMC youth will be participating in the 30 hour famine together May 9th and 10th. This is an opportunity for you to fast for 30 hours (or less for some of the younger youth), learn about world hunger, and learn what we can do to help in the battle against world hunger. Friday night we will have a program here at St. Andrew’s UMC and Saturday we will be heading over to Dilworth UMC for the program. We will “Break our Fast” at Dilworth on Saturday. We will have a cover dish meal where we as the parents get to bring some of the youth’s favorite foods!

YOUTH CAMPING TRIP

The youth will have a camping trip on May 16-18th! We will be tent camping up in the mountains! There will be great hikes, volleyball, making of s’mores and doughboys, cooking over the fire, and lots of great fellowship! This weekend is a blast! The cost of the weekend will be \$60.00. Let Kevin know if you are interested in attending and want more information! Also, let Kevin know if you need help with scholarship money to attend! This is a great trip not only for the youth, but their whole family! Don’t worry; the camp is big enough to give the youth their space from their families!

STAYING IN TOUCH

PRAYERS FOR...

P. K. Lackey Charles Cassady (Home)
C. J. Ash (Home) Wayne Forbis

CONDOLENCES the families of Martha Murray on the death of her husband Dozier Murray; and to Dennis Starnes and family on the recent death of his mother Rosella Starnes on April 19, 2014.

THANK YOU

Dear Members of St. Andrew's,
You are AMAZING! Thank you so much for all the candy you donated for our Easter Egg Hunt. For the first time in years we did not have to go buy candy the week before the hunt. We were able to fill 150 bags of candy! A big thank you to Cassady Broerman, Rachel Bryant, Henry Bryant, Abby Buzzard, Hanna Buzzard, Jason Buzzard and Sandy Devoid for packing all the bags of candy. This group also put together all the eggs and placed them in groups for the hunt.

Thank you to Ruth & Hurst Mauldin, Penny Bryant and Jimmie Dowless for helping our youth hide the eggs Saturday morning. Thank you to our wonderful youth for coming out and hiding the eggs and helping with the morning.

The Easter Egg Hunt was loads of fun (the rain did keep lots of people away) but everyone present had a blast!

Thank you St. Andrew's for giving and making this Easter Egg Hunt possible.

Blessings,
Norma Dowless

MISSION AND EDUCATION NEWS



**VBS IS JUNE 23-26 (MONDAY-THURSDAY)
5:45-8:30PM.** Mark your calendar & tell your friends!
VBS – a great way to share God's love with families!

Baby Shower

for

**Amy and Roger Penny, Jr.
Grandparents Roger and Shawn Penny**

**Saturday, May 17, 2014
1:00-3:00pm in the Commons Room #1**

**Drop-In Baby Shower
For Twin Girls**

*Registered at
Buy! Buy! Baby!
Target*

**RSVP to Betsy Grooms - 803-396-0277
or
Ruth Mauldin - 704-523-5510**



COUPONS FOR VETS.

There is a need again for **grocery coupons** only for Vets. Milly Ash will be collecting these and sending them off to the center for Vets. A box will be placed in the Commons Room hallway near Kevin's office. Thank you for your help.

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.



FREE NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICE

Available by Pauline Muntz. Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the front desk in the narthex.

MAY BIRTHDAYS



2 Deborah Hemenway	11 Austin Sharpe	23 Inez Weston
2 Mike Crosby	11 Ryan Tita	23 Julie Weeks
3 Vicki Robinson	12 Jim Walkup	24 Kathy Yokeley
3 Shirley Clontz	12 Larry Collins	24 Ryan Pendleton
5 Pat Madar	12 David Marshall	26 Pam Chandler
6 Bola Ogundipe	12 Mary Anne Mills	26 Norma Dowless
7 Joyce Middleton	13 Bill Niven	26 Barbara Woodruff
7 Reed Battin	13 Susan Wiker	28 Doug Wolfe
7 Rhett Taber	15 Margeri Brown	29 Bailey Sanford
7 Dennis Evans	15 Melanie Francis	30 Ulrich Gloege
7 Hannah Connell	17 Sam Brown	30 Carrie Beth Sanford
7 Martha Little	18 Vivian Thornton	30 Tom Shepherd
7 Will Yokeley	18 Nathan Carden	30 Daniel Williamson
7 Haley Boone	18 Zoe Wilbanks	31 Mary Morris
7 William Schrader	20 Gene Hennecey	31 Jonathan Poteat
9 Joslyn McLaurin	20 Jonathan Pool	
9 Jimmy Pendleton	21 Sally Sutherland	
9 Bristol White	22 Linda Thompson	
10 Peggy Wiker		



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NEXT CHATTER DEADLINE

May 15, 2014 at 12:00 Noon

SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Every Tuesday at Noon

Send your Chatter/Bulletin information,
inserts, etc. to:

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2014 Schedule

Family Life Center Service Coffee
MAY

May 4 Liz Snyder

May 11 Don Jordan

May 18 Amy Penny
Shawn Penny

May 25 Liz Snyder

Recycle Pickup 2014

May C. J. and Milly Ash

Trustee Church Sunday Lock-up
Schedule for 2014

MayHarvey Whichard

Usher Schedule for 2014

May Usher Leader..... Bill Robinson

- C. J. Ash
- Charles Cassidy
- Don Owens
- Carl Wissinger
- Del Smith