

WORSHIP UPDATE

This week, our Lenten journey continues. As was shared last week, we will be spending an extended time in the passion narratives found in the Gospels, and you are encouraged, as a Lenten discipline, to read through one gospel account each week. The stories are found as follows: **Matthew 26-27, Mark 14-15; Luke 22-23 and John 18-19.** And a question to ponder as you read them is “what would you have thought, or done, had you been there? As Levine offers in summary, “nobody said this was going to be easy”. So, we’ll see you this Sunday. We begin with intercessory prayer at 9:15 a.m., followed by worship and small groups. Youth will meet here this Sunday at 12:30 p.m. See you here.



~Pastor Sherri

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As was shared last week, that was the number shared in our statistical reports for the number of people we encountered in ministries of outreach, justice, and mercy. How grateful I am that St. Andrew’s UMC continues to be a lighthouse in and to the community. I hope that you find encouragement in that number, and that you will pray for those that Christ brings our way. May we offer welcome, encouragement, and invitation so that our work might not just be “to” others, but with them.

~Thanks! Pastor Sherri



GENERAL CONFERENCE.

This year, we welcome our denomination’s General Conference to Charlotte, and your help is needed to extend hospitality to our brothers and sisters from across the globe. Go to: <https://welcometogc.org/> and create an account. From there, you can sign up to volunteer as you’re able. Help is needed starting Thursday, April 18th. More information to come.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR. HARVESTERS MEETING
Thursday, March 7th

Gathering Time: 11:00 a.m.
Program: To be announced.
Lunch at Noon. In the Fellowship Hall #2.
Menu: Vegetable beef soup, cornbread, salad, and cream cheese tarte.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS. THE BOOK CLUB will meet on **Friday, March 8th, at 6:30 p.m.** to discuss the book



“The Bondwoman’s Narrative” by Hannah Crafts. Nicole Campbell will be hosting this event at her home at 1617 Lyndale Place, Charlotte, NC. Everyone’s welcome. See you there.

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Mark your calendars Sunday, March 10th to set your clocks ahead one hour.



SAVE THE DATE for an Easter Celebration on Saturday, March, 30th, 10:00-Noon.

Join us as we gather in the Family Life Center for a time of crafts and games, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt on the lawn. We would love to have children of all ages join us! If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Sherry Jackson at childrensministry@standrewsumc.com.

Donations of eggs and individually-wrapped candies are welcome. There will be a green tub in the Narthex for donation drop-off.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for the 2024 Metro District Lay Servant Ministry training!

We are offering basic and advanced classes at Central UMC, Charlotte, April 13th-14th as well as an advanced course via Zoom. Class size is limited so register early. **Deadline to register is March 31st.** The Basic Lay Servant class will be offered. Advanced classes include. **“The Method of Our Mission”** by **Lacey C. Warner**; **“The Caring Congregation Ministry”** by **Karen Lampe and Melissa Geford**; and **“Sharing the**



MARCH Birthdays

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Please pardon our omission. Emmanuel Sharps’ birthday was celebrated on Tuesday, February 27th.



WORSHIP SERVICE MARCH 3, 2024
9:15 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Service #30

10:00 a.m.
Worship in the Sanctuary “The Others”
A Woman Without Her Man is Nothing
Luke 23:23-33, 39-43.

11:11 a.m.
Small Group Gathering
11:30 a.m.
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REGULAR CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
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Prayers of the People: The Art of Intercession” by Samuel Wells and Abigail Kocher.

The ministry of the laity is vital to our churches, district, communities, conference and the world! Lay Servant Ministry is a way persons can grow spiritually, become equipped to serve, discover their spiritual gifts and ways to use them, and experience connection and fellowship with other Lay Servants. The training is open to all. Interested? Reach out to Pastor David Ortigoza or Pastor Sherri Barnes for the needed recommendation. **Registration fee for in person courses is \$15 and the fee for the Zoom course is \$10, plus the cost of books.**

THANK YOU.

Dear St. Andrew’s Church,

Thank you so much for the meal you provided our family after our mom Marjorie Adcock passed away. It brought great Comfort and peace of mind while we were dealing with a very tough time. Thank you also for the paryers and calls to us during her illness. Heidi and I miss her and dad so much. They loved the church and the friends they had there. God bless you all.

Love,
Vicki Massey and Heidi Cline

CONDOLENCES. Bonnie White

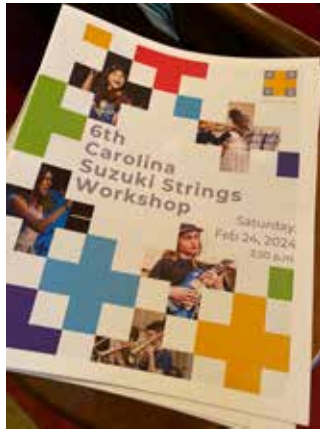
passed from the church militant to the church triumphant on Tuesday, Feb. 27th. The family will gather this **Saturday, March 2nd, at McEwen funeral home in Pineville.** Visitation will be at 10:00 a.m.

followed by a service at 11:00 a.m. A private interment will be held later. Please keep her family in your prayers.

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR Tammy Thompson, her mom, Judy, brothers Greg and Mark in the loss of their dad and husband, Tom Thompson of Sarver, Pennsylvania. He passed away on Wednesday, February 28th.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

Last Saturday, February 24th, St. Andrew’s UMC hosted over 50 young people and their families for a musical workshop put on by Arts+ and Carolina Suzuki Strings. We had musicians, ages four through high school, learning on their instruments and preparing for their afternoon concert. This year’s special guests were from the Charlotte Folk Society and led sessions in fiddle improvisation and clogging!



**Happy 5th Birthday to Emmanuel!
He had a party at the church for family and friends with a Paw Patrol cake!**

