



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

Services on Sunday Mornings at 10:30

Rev. Dr. Jim Black, Pastor

Church Office: (904) 771-1596

GUESS WHO IS BACK AGAIN?

Yep, it's me....and am I ever glad! Thank you, Session, for your willingness to enlist me again as a "Stated Supply" pastor. That's my official title now; not "Interim Minister". It makes me happy to be able to remain with you and a little guilty! I am happy because, of all the churches I have served in my past, none of them is more like a true family than this one. Oh, you have your differences and make your mistakes...like all do...but you share more grace and understanding and patience than those in my other congregations. You have the wisdom to grant each other a lot of slack and manage to keep perspective on all the ups and downs in any congregation....just like in any family. I do feel some guilt too. Because I know that several ministers out there have missed being able to have such a great group of people to serve Christ with. You pitch in, share your ideas and concerns, understand our church situation, have a wonderful set of volunteer secretaries, etc. I have this and they don't! That is why I am guilty.

HOWEVER, what does this mean for St. Andrews now? Well:

- First, make it a point to read my job description! My hours and time there will be less and all understand this. Time will come when some do not understand this and might be tempted to grumble, etc.
- Second, it will require all of us to rely on each other more.....volunteer secretaries, Elders, etc. Grant each of us grace and patience as there will be some areas or other things to have to adjust to. I am definitely counting on you to join in assisting each other when called upon more! You **may have to solve more things among yourselves**; do more to enable things to move as smoothly as before.
- Third, feel free to call me 24/7 if there is a need by anyone (400-0810) and I will be there unless ill or out of town. I expect to be notified if anyone is in the hospital, needs a home visit or some other issue or emergency. Don't let me or some other member down.
- You may see me there almost all day on Mondays, Thursdays and most of the day on Sundays. There are times I will still be working for you at my home (sermons and study) and travelling to presbytery meetings, etc. Don't think I am not working just because I am not in my office. In fact, I will miss not being able to see and enjoy so many of you by not being in the office as often!
- Things will move along as usual but some of you may miss my jokes (if desperate, call and I will share one with you). However, you really will need to depend upon one another more, fill in the gaps and help solve more problems among yourselves; you will find that you have the chance to put on your "big boy pants" more now from time to time as you work some things out among yourselves.
- Yes, I will be at Session meetings, of course, Thursday night suppers and all Thursday School of the Church classes, as well.

Still among you as we serve our Lord together. Pastor Jim



SEPTEMBER

- 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 Weekly Bible Study
- 4 WSCO Food Collection & Congregational Meeting
- 5 Labor Day
- 11 Appreciation Luncheon & Grandparents' Day
- 15 Community Dinner & Flu Shots
- 19 Session



OCTOBER

- 2 WSCO Food Collection & World Communion Sunday
- 6, 13, 20 & 27 Weekly Bible Study
- 17 Session
- 20 Community Dinner & Program
- 29 Trunk-or-Treat



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

6317 103rd Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

*Being the face of Christ
In our Community.*

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Secretaries

Donna Kirksey

Judy Medearis

Jan Poley

Velvet Whitaker

Judith Yeaton

Active Elders

Michele Banks – M&E

Roger Barr – M&E

Lynda Edwards – Worship

Summer Hackney – Fellowship

Donna Kirksey - Fellowship

Mary McNair – BFS&P

Judy Medearis - CCN

Elaine Mechelke - CCN

Joyce Miller – BFS&P

Ralph Ramsey – BFS&P

JR Wood – B&G

Judith Yeaton - Worship

BFS&P Committee

Our income for the month of July was \$12,087.28; the expenses for the month were \$11,174.85; we were in the black in the amount of \$912.43. However, for the year, we still have a deficit of \$5,108.66.

Please keep our 2017 Pledge Campaign in your prayers. There will be more about the Campaign at a later date.

Don't forget to keep those newspapers coming!! The more newspapers we collect means additional income for the Church.

The Hope Chest is doing very well. Everyone involved is doing a great job! Also, thank you for your continued support and donations.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank Jan Poley for her services as our "Monday" Secretary. (Jan is staying very busy with the Hope Chest as well as several other projects.) Thanks, Jan!!

Our Committee meets the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00am, in the Media Room. If you would like to attend a meeting or join our Committee, please speak to me. Our next Meeting will be September 17, 2016.

Joyce Miller

St. Andrews Church's Flea/ Thrift Store

This has been really successful so far. We've had so many donations and HELP over the past 4-5 months that we want to thank you all!!!

On Sunday, September 11th at 11:30am, just walk over to the Fellowship Hall for a **Thank You Luncheon!** We promise you will be home for the Jag's game by 1:00pm if it's on TV.

Elaine, Barbara, Sheryl, Michele, Jan and Marie

Needs

Two (2) 4 X 4 posts for a new display being built in the Thrift Store. Any condition since they will be painted.

Barbara

OUR PRAYER LIST



*Duane Barkeim, Sandy Beal,
Pat Bukovac, Kim Cope,
Joyce Doty, Charlie Eakins,
Dalton Edwards,
Linda Morgan Edwards,
Dave Fountain, Byron Fredricks,
Marie Gibson, Barbara Gobel,
Johnny Grimes, Rocky Harrelson,
Brian Hackney, Sheryl Harmon,
Ellen Hume, Kathy Kouneh,
Jackie Lewis, Ashley Licari,
Redick Loring, Ray Massey,
Melissa McPherson,
Ellen Meacham, B.J. Meadows,
Adam Morris, Merri Kay Nelson,
Bart Parramore,
Charleen Pavlakovich,
Tim Pierson, Jiles Pinkston,
Sue Ramsey, Elaine Redy,
Duane Rarkein, Denise Scronce,
Butch Stafflenio, Dean Starks,
Jack Strickland,
Bill Strubbe, Jr., Bill Strubbe, Sr.,
Clarence Sweat, Betty Tanner,
Sam Taylor, Patricia Thomas,
Caroline VanKouwenberg,
Sandy Veal, Susi Volpe,
Don Wight, Jan Westmoreland,
Bert Yeaton, Grayson Zeilic,
and
The Families of
Bev Herndon, Gladys O'Heir, &
Luke Peacock*

VISITS TO OUR SHUT-INS



Anyone interested in visiting and/or taking Communion to our shut-ins, contact Pastor Jim Black.

JULIET (Join Us Ladies Into Eating Together) Fourth Tuesday each month @ 6:00pm location TBD.

Adult Bible Study 11:00 Thursdays

Congregational Care and Nurture Committee

St. Andrews Pictorial Directory

There have been many requests for a new Church pictorial directory. We are looking for an organized, full of energy person to head this up. If you are interested see Judy Medearis or Summer Hackney. We will probably be doing the directory in-house so there will be no high pressure selling of the pictures.

By: Judy Medearis



Buildings & Grounds

Building and Grounds (B&G) was busy this month with 2 trees being cut down in back of the Church and repair of air in the Sanctuary.

B&G also helped move furniture for 2 rooms along with continued work on the fence line, (Thanks Bill) and normal Grounds maintenance. A special thanks, as always, to Herman and Flo for the garden upkeep. We enjoy helping out the Ladies who support our Thrift store; we are making money for the Rock and our Lord. Thanks for all who are involved! I would like to thank Terry Hallihan for all she does with the newsletter and website (we get a lot of visitors). Also would like to thank the members of our Committee for all they do!

Please give when you can as OUR Church needs all of us and more!

Thanks be to God!

J R Wood



September

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 5 Kathleen Creel | 15 Bryan Parramore |
| 7 Dadrian Perkins | 16 Kristie Christiansen |
| 11 Loriane Nelson | 16 Judith Yeaton |
| 13 Hunter Jones | 18 Jody Wood |
| 14 JR Wood | 26 Summer Hackney |
| 15 Blayne Parramore | |

October

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| 1 Justyce Leverett | 11 Bart Parramore |
| 1 Phyllis Stubbs | 12 Sue Massey |
| 2 JP McCall | 20 Joyce Miller |
| 5 Tessa Roberts | 22 John Vynanek |
| 6 Frank Edwards | 29 Ezekiel Grusenmeyer |
| 8 Michael Banks | 31 Wesley Perkins |



September

- 10 Walter & Mary McNair
19 Jeff & Jennie Leverett
25 Jim & Linda Miller.

October

- 4 John & Suzi Starkey
6 John & Pat Eubanks
8 Michael & Velvet Whitaker
19 Brian & Summer Hackney
29 Jimmy & Ellen Meacham

Directory Updates

Death:

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Beverly Herndon | August 11, 2016 |
| Gladys O'Heir | August 5, 2016 |
| Joan Strubbe | July 6, 2016 |

New Address & Telephone Number:

Teresa Sweat
9197 103rd St.
Jacksonville, FL 32210
904-444-3660

Rachel & Chuck Kerstin (September – October)
2604 NE 97th Circle
Vancouver, WA 98665

Cheryl & Bart Parramore
1531 South Hwy. 121 Apt. 2511
Lewisville, TX 75067

Cheryl's Cell 904-588-2239
Bart's Cell 904-477-5086
Home 469-464-3278

Diane Parker
248 East Southwest Parkway Apt. 1304
Lewisville, TX 75067
904-887-3171

November/December

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

***** OCTOBER *****

*Articles can be e-mailed to Terry
Hallihan:*

99gwhfth@comcoast.net

*Or placed in the Newsletter box in the
office*

THIRD THURSDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY DINNERS & PROGRAMS

The September Community Dinner and Program will be September 15th at 6:00pm and Walgreen's will be present to give flu and pneumonia shots. For those on Social Security the shots are free. If you are under 65, please bring your insurance card. Individuals must be 18 or over to get the shots. Bring your friends and neighbors.

If we have an October Community Dinner and Program it will be on October 20th. Stay tuned.



October 29, 2016

Time TBD

Bring the children and your car and spend time at our Trunk or Treat. Every year it gets bigger and better. We will also have hot dogs, chips, beverages, a cake walk, games and more. Invite your relatives, friends and neighbors. Come and join in the FUN!!

Summer Hackney



Pastor Jim

It may take awhile to settle into the Pastor not being at the church as much as he used to. It may take some time for us to learn to lean on each other to fill in some gaps. However, even though Jim is now working about 25 hours a week, he is (a) always available on the phone, (b) always willing to make house and hospital visits and (c) IS STUDYING AND WORKING ON HIS SERMONS at home and is TAKING CALLS THERE ALL OF THE TIME FOR US TOO. We will get our monies worth out of him. We congratulate him on his new status with St. Andrews.

Worship Committee

Do you enjoy seeing the fresh flowers on Sunday in Service? Do you know where they come from? You can order flowers on any Sunday you would like and make them in honor/remembrance of anyone by signing up on the Flower Chart in the Narthex. Any of the welcoming ladies can show you where it is. Then just write a check for \$30 payable to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, marking it with date of flowers, and drop it in the offering plate on Sunday morning. After the service that you bought flowers for, please take the flowers home to enjoy.

In His Name, Lynda Edwards

Mission & Evangelism Committee

The Committee members and many Church members have been busy this past summer with sewing sun dresses (50) and clothing protectors (50) and other Community Outreach projects. The annual Fashion Show of sun dresses and clothing protectors will be sometime in the Fall or Spring.

The Mid-Week Flea and Thrift Store have been visited by many community members. The bread give away has been very successful. As well as the August 25th Community Dinner and Program on Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety which was well attended by both Church members and individuals in the neighborhood. We are working on the September Community Dinner and the potential for an October Dinner.

Michele Banks

*A Note from
the Clerk*



St. Andrews has numerous activities in September and October. Please bring your family and friends and participate.

~ Summer

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



We are preparing for the annual Christmas Bazaar on November 19th (the Saturday before Thanksgiving). We are now accepting large items. We have the Youth Room set aside for yard sale donations. Please bring your items anytime **on or before November 13th**. Items can be left near the front door of the Youth Room or inside the Narthex. Please be sure all items are CLEAN. We will start pricing early this year.

Don't forget any craft items you are working on as well as plants, Christmas items, and bake sale goodies- cookies, brownies, etc. We really need help from all of you. People are needed to tend the tables. We also are selling spaces at \$15.00 each to vendors and anyone who wants to sell their own items. We are limited on tables, so if you rent a space you should bring your own table(s).

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact either of us. And THANK YOU in advance for your support. We will work in the name of the Lord.

Judith Yeaton & Jan Poley