



St Andrews Presbyterian Church

Services on Sunday Mornings at 10:30

Rev. Dr. Jim Black, Pastor

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FOR ST. ANDREWS!

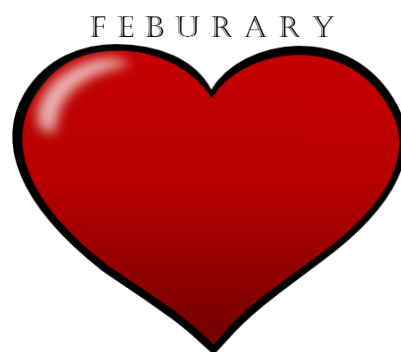
1. Call ourselves "Presbyterian disciples of Christ"....not just "church members".
2. Stop focusing on "programs" and focus on "actions" that respond to needs around us.
3. Hold high trying to promote "God's will being done on earth" (as we can understand this) and not just focus on our "organization".
4. Ask in our Session meetings if whatever vote we make will be something that would cause God great joy.
5. Call it "the School of the Church" vs. "Sunday School". It is for all ages. Jesus thought it important enough to be called a Rabbi. He respected all He contacted by helping them grow in the understanding of this new "Administration" that had come to the earth in Himself.
6. Speak of "Marketing for Christ" in all we do or say all the time vs. promote the negative ideas people have about "evangelism". We want to draw people to us by our personal and corporate life here at St. Andrews.
7. Speak of "Christian Community Witnessing" vs. "social action" or "testifying".
8. We will try and emphasize what we feel God would have us emphasize: loving our neighbor by showing respect and being kind to all, promote what Christ would have us promote....His values and hopes of His Church in the world. God wants us all to be One in Him. God wants us to grow up more into the likeness of Christ, the True Human. God wants us to show forth the very practical presence of God that is within us (The Holy Spirit) to any, and all, around us as a life style.
9. Remember that we have been "blessed to be a blessing". As we bless others around us, Christ will be making His Will known and blessing others through you and me.

In short, we will want so much of Jesus to show through us to others....our worship, our community life, our practical outreach and care, etc., that others will long to live more and more into the blessings God is giving us and others will want to become a part of this winning team. God is making His appeal to so many around us and, together, we will grow in Grace as well as in numbers.

Gladly in service to Christ with you – Pastor Jim Black



- 11 New Elder Installation
- 11 Renewal of Baptism Vows
- 15 Speaker (Senior Living Facilities) & Dinner
- 25 Annual Congregational Meeting



- 1 Souper Bowl Sunday
- 18 Ash Wednesday
- 19 Speaker (Dr. Salman) & Dinner
- 22 Lent Begins
- 25 Lenten Dinner & Service



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

6317 103rd Street
Jacksonville, Florida 32210

*Being the Face of Christ
In our Community.*

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2015

Secretaries

*Donna Kirksey
Judy Medearis
Judith Yeaton
Jan Poley*

Active Elders

*Michelle Banks
Kathy Barr
Lynda Edwards
Ben Gundlach
Donna Kirksey
Judy Medearis
Joyce Miller
Linda Miller
Ralph Ramsey
Tom Whitmore*

- Keep using my name in vain – I'll make rush hour longer.
- Give God what is right not what is left.
- Son screen prevents sin burn.
- Sign broke. Message inside.
- People whose Bible has frayed edges have nerves that aren't.
- To err is human. To "arr" is pirate.
- Open under old management.
- Life is a puzzle, come find the missing peace.
- I'm also making a list and checking it twice – God.
- Jesus – your get out of hell free card.
- Why pay for GPS? Jesus gives right directions free.
- God is better than Tide. He really gets the stains out.
- Get right or get left.
- Forbidden fruits make money jams.
- Free coffee and everlasting life. Yes, membership has its privileges.
- God does not believe in atheists. Therefore, atheists do not exist.
- Get off of Facebook and into my book.
- Dust off your Bible means dirt in your life.
- Read your Bible. It will scare the hell out of you.

By: Pastor Jim Black

OUR PRAYER LIST



*Nancy Anson, Diane Baylor,
 Steve Bok, Dee Dee Bouknight,
 J.C. Cantrell, Sharon Clifton,
 Eloise Collins, Dee Crews,
 Susan Doete, Dale & Joyce Doty,
 Isella Endinger, Catherine Ford,
 Phyllis Freitag, Ben Gundlach,
 Steve Harden, Cindy Hatley,
 Heather Houdashelt,
 Jack & Alice Hutchinson,
 Melissa Jackson, Heath Jacob,
 Judy Johnson, Bob Juliana,
 Emily Kehler, Elizabeth Marsh,
 Paul Massey, Ray Massey,
 Sue Massey, Norma Jean Morrow,
 Bunny Mulligan, Ellen Murphy,
 Michael Neill, Barbara Oswalt,
 Amanda Owen, Parramore Family,
 Tim Pierson, Carol Riggs,
 Vicki Roberts,
 Mike & Loretta Robinson,
 Ross Family, Edna Sands,
 Becky Sanders, Jessica Schriber,
 Tim Simpson, Susan Slicker,
 Chris Smith, Patrick Starks,
 Jim & Nan Stores, Bill Strubbe, Sr.,
 Trey Strubbe, Gaylord Sundt,
 Cliff Suttles, Clarence M. Sweat,
 Paul Sweat, Charles & Ruby Taylor,
 Nikki Thomas,
 Caroline VanKouwenberg,
 Art Vaughn, Susie Volpe,
 Roseann Weir, Katie White,
 Tom Whitmore, Nancy Woolfley,
 Reta Woodward &
 Families of:
 Louise Jordan & Elsie Clifton*



BFS&P Committee

When 2014 closed, our finances were holding their own. Compared to 2013 our income in 2014 was higher and the resulting deficit was lower. The Committee will meet January 13th and February 10th @ 7:00pm in the Media Room. Anyone interested in joining the Committee is welcome to attend these meetings.

By: Joyce Miller

Clerk

2014 was a busy year for session, and I would just like to say thank you to all the elders that have served this past year. We have two hard working exiting elders, Stephanie Moore and Walter McNair. When you see them make sure to give them a big hug or pat on the back. We are ringing in 2015 with 5 elders coming on to session. Please help the church celebrate Michele Banks, Ralph Ramsey, Donna Kirksey, Judith Yeaton and Roger Barr. All have been previously ordained and will be joining Linda Miller, Tom Whitmore, Ben Gundlach, Joyce Miller, Judy Medearis and Lynda Edwards to continue God's work with the Session here at St. Andrews.

Attn all Chair Persons, I need your end of the year reports no later than January 14th. You can email them to me at sapcclerk@yahoo.com or put them in my box in the church office. If you need help with this please let me know.

With Christ's Love, Summer Hackney

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 in Lieu of Sunday School – Each Thursday at 11:00AM

Worship Committee

The St. Andrews Advent/Christmas Season was enjoyed by all. It started on November 30th with lighting the first Advent Candle. On December 7th we Hung the Greens with the help from the Choir and the congregation. December 14th was our annual Cantata that is always a delight. On December 21st we had a lovely Joy Gift program by the children of the church. Christmas Eve was very moving with the story of Christmas and highlighted by the Luminaries provided by the Youth. Many thanks to all who participated in both events and behind the scenes.

Before you know it Ash Wednesday will be here on February 18th. We are hoping to have weekly Lenten services and a Very Holy Week March 29th-April 3rd.

By: Lynda Edwards

Thanks to all that donated items, participated in preparing items for sale and set-up, and attended the Christmas Bazaar. In excess of \$1,500 was raised.

Jan Poley and Judith Yeaton



January

5 Terry Hallihan

7 Ben Gundlach

11 Chloe Allen

11 Jack Herpy

14 Hannah Miller

18 Bert Yeaton, Jr.

19 Helen Ballester

20 Joyce Oleson

20 Diane Parker

21 Kyle Helms

22 Rachael DeWolf

22 Rebecca DeWolf

24 Jan Poley

25 Brittney Bogacki

25 Kristen Merrill

26 Donna Kirksey

30 Bill Starks

February

1 Lynda Edwards

2 Bernadette Gilmore

2 Jimmy Poff

3 Pam Morris

4 Jennie Leverett

6 Sydney Baldwin

6 Claire Helmer

11 Michael Miller

11 Baylee Parramore

13 Liz Parker

14 Eileen Moulton

16 Roger Barr

21 Kyle Miller

22 Christina Meanyhan

25 Olivia Hume

26 Darlene Bray



January

4 JR & Jody Wood

February

2 Jimmy Poff & Bernadette Gilmore



Buildings & Grounds

Buildings and Grounds conducted the fall workday on 15 November and it was a great success! Although the Boy Scout Troop was out of town we had a wonderful representation from the Girl Scouts. We had 20 scouts with their leaders including Juniors, Brownies, Daisies, and Cadettes. Also 2 participants from our youth, Baylee and Blayne Parramore, were in attendance. Nineteen church members pitched in to spruce up the St Andrews campus including the Fellowship Committee and helpers who served a light lunch. A big "Thank You" to all who took the time from their busy schedule to help with our Fall workday. If you were not able to make this one we will have a repeat performance just prior to Easter season in the spring. Date and time will be published a bit later.

We have had a problem with the air conditioning in the Sanctuary the past few weeks in November. It did not seem to be cooling properly. Buildings & Grounds personnel located and modified the water discharge line so that it gets the maximum water flow. We feel this may have been the problem all along as we had the system checked out by the A/C people and they said they could not find anything wrong with the units. It seems to be working fine now.

We also had a huge increase in the water bill in the October/November time frame. It was discovered the flapper valve in the East breezeway ladies room was broken and the fill valve would not shut off. We think it could have been leaking for several days but we are not sure. If anyone finds something that is leaking or not working properly **please** notify the office and B&G personnel.

Buildings and Grounds would like to thank all members of the committee for their faithful service and hope you will consider continuing through 2015.

Please remember to keep Pastor Jim and the Session in our prayers as they guide and serve St Andrews. Pray also for all who need healing and comforting in our church family.

Remember: "Give as you would to the Master
If you met His searching look;
Give as you would of your substance
If His hand the offering took."

Bill Starks

THIRD THURSDAY NIGHT DINNERS

January 15.....a representative of retirement homes for seniors

February 19.....a representative of the medical world

March 19.....a representative from the legal profession

Our Lenten events will start February 25 and we may have to work out a compromise with the Thursday March 19 event. We could meet and eat two nights in a row....one at Lake Shore on Wednesday, March 18, and the following night have the attorney here. Stay tuned!

Pastor: Jim Black

Mission & Evangelism Committee

2014 was a busy year for the Mission and Evangelism Committee (M&E). Thanks to the generous support of the congregation we were able to help people right here in our community and all over the world. Thank you so much for opening your hearts to the "least of these". There will be a new Committee Chair in 2015 and I hope and pray that you will continue to support the important work of the M&E Committee. Thank you to Michele, Terry, Virginia, and Barbara for being the core of our committee. Please remember there is always room on the M&E Committee for additional folks. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for meeting times and projects that you can help with.

In Christ,

Stephanie Moore

*A Note from
the Clerk*



- Installation of new elders
January 11, 2015
- Renewal of Baptism Vows
January 11, 2015
- Annual Congregational
Meeting January 25, 2015

Summer

MARCH/APRIL NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

*** FEBRUARY 17th ***

Articles can be e-mailed to
Terry Hallihan:
99gwhfth@comcast.net
Or placed in the Newsletter box
in the office

SESSIONAL COMMITTEES FOR 2015

CLERKSUMMER HACKNEY
BFSP
.....JOYCE MILLER, CO-CHAIR
.....RALPH RAMSEY, CO-CHAIR
CE.....JIM BLACK, ASHLEY, NANCY MACALL
CCN.....JUDY MEDEARIS, CHAIR
FELLOWSHIP..... LINDA MILLER, CHAIR
.....DONNA KIRKSEY, CO-CHAIR
WORSHIP.....LYNDA EDWARDS, CHAIR
.....JUDITH YEATON, CO-CHAIR
MISSION/EVANGELISM
.....MICHELE BANKS, CHAIR
.....ROGER BARR, CO-CHAIR
BUILDING/GROUNDS.....BEN GUNDLACH, CHAIR

PLEASE, PLEASE..... (1) MAKE IT A POINT TO
**CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AND LOOK UP
THE NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO STAND READY
TO ASSIST YOU!**

(2) MAKE A PERSONAL **CALL
TO EACH ONE OF THEM, THANK THEM AND
CALL ON THEM TO WORK WITH YOU!** DO NOT
LET ME, THE CHURCH OR YOURSELF DOWN ON
DOING THIS! STUDIES SHOW THAT IF A MEMBER
IS NOT CALLED UPON, USED AND RECOGNIZED
WITHIN SEVEN MONTHS, THEY LEAVE THE
CHURCH!!

REMEMBER: **FEEL FREE TO USE ANYONE ELSE IN
THE CONGREGATION** YOU FEEL CAN HELP YOU
AND ARE EASY TO WORK WITH....EVEN FORMER
ELDERS!

FINALLY, **I AM ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO WORK
WITH YOU** AND/OR YOUR COMMITTEE AS YOU
WANT OR NEED ME! I TRUST WHATEVER YOU
AND YOUR COMMITTEE ARE UP TO AS YOU PLAN
TOGETHER. IF, HOWEVER, I SENSE YOU NEED
HELP OR ARE STUCK, I WILL STEP UP AND SIMPLY
BE A PART OF ONE OF YOUR COMMITTEE
MEETINGS. I AM NOT A 'MICRO-MANAGER'. I
TRUST MY LEADERSHIP. IF THEY NEED ME, CALL
ON ME.

FAITHFULLY IN HIS SERVICE WITH YOU,

PASTOR JIM

Updates

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Jacksonville, FL 32210

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Phone Numbers: Cheryl Parramore 588-2239 (C)
Bart Parramore 477-5086 (C)

New Baby: Mariah Cope 6 lbs. 13 ozs.
October 25, 2014
Trevor & Kim Cope

Passing Of: Elsie Clifton December 13, 2014
Paul Miller November 23, 2014
Steve McLemore November 9, 2014

New Members: Mike & Velvet Whitaker
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904-317-0144 (H)
904-476-7150 (C) Mike
mike@masterlinkcycle.us
904-219-4384 (C) Velvet
velwhit@bellsouth.net

Mike and Velvet joined St. Andrews through
reaffirmation of their faith. They were married on October
8, 2006, and both enjoy motorcycle riding and are
interested in assisting with visiting shut-ins and
hospitalized members. Mike is retired from the Navy, a
motorcycle mechanic and owns Master Link Cycle. They
have 5 grand children, ranging in age from 2 yrs. – 17 yrs.
who live in the area. Additionally, they have a German
Shepherd puppy named Harley of course. Harley will be 1
yr. old on January 29th.

Christian Education Committee

Thanks to the Committee members for all their
hard work in 2014 – Michele Banks, Nancy
McCall, Susie Starkey and Ashley Zeilic.

Keep on learning,
Judy Medearis