

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Services on Sunday Mornings at 10:30 November/December 2018 Church Office: (904) 771-1596



Worship Committee

The Worship Committee has been busy preparing for the Holiday Season which is upon us as we speak. Nearly every Sunday is an event.

The first Sunday in November is All Saints Sunday and we will remember the members who have passed on to that house not made by hands in the Heavens. Rev. Jess McCrosky will be our pastor.

Nov. 11th is Veterans Day and we will present the flags and have a video of our loved ones who served out great country.

Nov. 18th is Thanksgiving Sunday (can you believe it!!) We always have an overflowing Cornucopia on the Communion Table AND there will be a Thanksgiving dinner following the service.

Nov. 25th is NOT the first Sunday in Advent BUT it is the first time you will be able to order Holiday flowers (poinsettias) to beautify our sanctuary, cost is \$8.00. They will be set up Dec. 16.

Dec. 1st is the Greening of the Sanctuary at 10:00am. All are welcome to attend

Dec. 2nd is the first Sunday in Advent. We will begin our Advent Wreath candle lighting this day. We are very happy to have Rev. Dr. Jim Black as our pastor ALL MONTH so as to provide continuity during this most important season. Also our Christmas Mailbox will be set up in the Narthex. As you look through the directory, keep in mind that several friends to whom you would like to send cards either live out of town or RARELY attend church. These cards will be thrown away if they are still in the boxes at the end of the season. If you care enough to send these people a card, put a stamp on it and mail it so they will get it and know that you are thinking of them.

Dec. 2nd our Chrismon Tree will be up as well as other decorations.

Dec. 16th is Cantata Sunday and the choir has been working very hard on this year's musical rendition of the birth of Jesus.

Dec. 23rd is the last Sunday in Advent – We're getting close to the Big Day.

Dec. 24th is Christmas Eve. The candle lighting <u>all family</u> service starts at 7:00 and is always a meaningful entrance into Christmas Day.

Dec. 30th is the last Sunday of the year. Get ready for 2019!

Your Worship Committee wishes each of you a very happy, healthy new year. Perhaps you could make a new year's resolution to support your church by participating in one of the committees. As "they" say, many hands make light work.

Yours in Christ,
Diane Parker, Chairman, Lynda Edwards, Sheryl Harmon,
Judy Medearis and Judith Yeaton



NOVEMBER

- 4 Communion & All Saints
- 10 Fall Bazaar
- 11 Salute to Veterans
- 18 Dedication Sunday, Thanksgiving Sunday & Dinner
- 22 Thanksgiving
- 25 Poinsettia Sale



- 1 Greening of the Sanctuary 10:00am
- 2 1st Sunday of Advent, Communion & Chrismon Tree
- 9 2nd Sunday of Advent
- 16 3rd Sunday of Advent -Joy Gift- Christmas Cantata - Light Lunch
- 23 Last Sunday of Advent
- 24 Christmas Eve 4th Sunday of Advent
- 25 Christmas Day
- 30 Last Sunday of 2018
- 31 New Year's Eve



St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

6317 103rd Street Jacksonville, Florida 32210

Being the face of Christ In our Community.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2018

Secretaries

Donna Kirksey Judy Medearis Judith Yeaton

Active Elders

Michele Banks — CE&F/M&E
Summer Hackney — CE&F/M&E
Frankie Hawkins - CCN
Bonnie McNally - CCN
Mary McNair — BFS&P
Elaine Mechelke — B&G
Linda Miller — CE&F
Diane Parker — Worship
JR Wood — B&G



BFS&P

Time to think about your 2019 stewardship commitment — financial, time and talents are needed to fulfill our motto "Being the Face of Christ in Our Community" — How can you lend a hand? Our committees can use you! Finance — monitors the income/expense for SAPC, reviews personnel changes, oversees volunteer office staff. Building & Grounds — maintain/maintenance of all church buildings, coordinate work & clean up days, oversees church maintenance equipment. Worship — liturgists, ushers, prepare communion elements. Fellowship — Do you like to preparing food & celebrations? i.e.: Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, Annual Picnic. Mission/Evangelism — Sunday greeter, promote Presbyterian Church mission work locally/globally, WSCO. Christian Education — promote bible studies for adults and children.

This is just a portion of the work these committees do to further our motto "Being the Face of Christ in Our Community". Prayerfully consider how you can be involved!

Dedication Sunday, November 18, you will be given an opportunity to commit to God your financial, time and talents support. We ask you to prayerfully consider your 2019 stewardship commitment — financial, time and talents.

Part-Time Stated Supply Report

RECAP of our Job Description for Part-time Stated Supply: "SAPC considers the responsibilities of a Part-Time Stated Supply Minister to be *mission* minded, promotes *evangelism*, *inspires* with biblical based sermons, *promotes* congregation cohesiveness, provide *leadership* and implementation, *internet progressiveness* - guiding St. Andrews to the future. This position would require an average of 25 hours a week. Specific items - Sunday service, Session meetings, 2 office days, and a weekly Bible Study."

We continue to be in contact with Presbytery regarding our search for a Part-Time Stated Supply. The committee has contacted two prospects this past month. Both were determined to not be a candidate for SAPC.

Please continue to pray for our Part-Time Pastor Committee and our congregation throughout this process and know God has already picked our new Part-Time Pastor. He or she will be a blessing to our congregation in the near future. A 'job' in the PCUSA is referred to as a "Call from God" it is more than a job or career -- it is a calling.

If you have questions or concerns about the search process, feel free to contact the Part-Time Pastor Search Committee (Mary McNair, Linda Miller & Frankie Hawkins)

Financial Report:

September 2018- Income: \$10,677.14, Expenses: \$6,487.61 =

Positive \$4,189.53

September YTD - Income: \$79,354.38, Expenses: \$72,426.26 =

Positive \$6,928.12

BFSP meets Wednesday, November 14, 2018, 10 a.m. No meeting in December. Mary McNair

OUR PRAYER LIST



Bill Allen, Diane Bailey, Diane Baylor, Kim Cope, Carolyn Copeland, James Czaja, Joyce Doty, Lynda Edwards, Thadys Gilder, Diane Gillebean, Theresa Gray, Jerry Hallihan, Sheryl Harmon, Crystal Hefner, Lee and Lona Hofsted, Marion and Frances Kelly, Jennifer Kessler, Linda Kneece, Joan Mallard, Ray Massey, Sue Massey, Laura McElhane, Johnny McNally, Priscilla Myers, Merri Kay Nelson, The Parramore Family, Charleen Pavlakovich, Tim Pierson, Ralph Ramsey, Vickie Roberts, David Michael Schott, DiAnne Scott, Larry Scronce, Charles Severance, Richard Spranger, Butch Stafflenio, Helen Starks, Jo-An Stevens, Jack Strickland, Phyllis Stubbs, Pat Sundt, Clarence Sweat, Betty Tanner, Robert Tarkinson, Sam Taylor, Heath Towers, John Wallis and Don Wight

Christian Education & Fellowship

We had our opening of the new Sunday School and we have kicked off Sunday School for both adults and kids. Now we still have our very well attended Thursday Bible Study Class in the Media Center, we have added an adult Sunday School Class on Sunday mornings at 9:15 in the new Sunday School room. The class is starting at the beginning of the Bible with an "overview". Everyone is invited.

Children's Sunday School is after "passing of the peace" during Worship. We have 4 to 5 children now and are having fun. We are looking for teachers for the kids. We are asking if you would like to volunteer to help teach the children once a month or every couple of months, please see Michele Banks and she will get that organized with you. All lessons will be prepared and Julia will be there to assist. Those interested in volunteering contact Michele.

Thanksgiving is quickly upon us. Fellowship committee will be hosting our annual Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner following Worship Service on November 18th. This is a wonderful time to fellowship with our friends before we get into the hustle and bustle of the Holiday Season.

Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side. If you are able to prepare a ham or turkey, see Summer, the church will provide them for you to cook.

The Contata will be on December 16th as well as the Joy Gift collection and a light finger foods lunch.

Thanks,

Summer & Michele



Anyone interested in visiting and/or taking Communion to our shut-ins, contact the Office.

JULIETs (Join Us Ladies Into Eating Together) & **Romeos** - First Tuesday each month @ 6:00pm location TBD.

Adult Bible Study – Each Thursday at 11:00AM



Mission & Evangelism

M & E will have a table at the Fall Festival on November 10th giving away free water and lists of upcoming events.

WSCO has moved to 1044 Wolf Street. They need donations see the list of their needs. There will be a donation bin in the Narthex.

Michele Banks



November

13 Jack Strickland Debra McCall 22 Allyson Baldwin David Nelson 24 Pansy Helms Cathy Barr 24 Luke McNair Jonathan May 24 Jerry Miller Jonathan Miller 24 Vicki Roberts Nicholas Villa 24 Ralph Story 12 Bill Banks 25 Nancy Anson 13 Jennifer Allen 29 Herman Six

<u>December</u>

1 Jerry Hallihan

2 Donna Lumley 22 Anastasia Fekete
4 Stephanie Moore 22 Amber Sweat
4 Chloe Welch 25 John Starkey
5 Jean Yeaton 27 Bob Morris
6 Amelia Rose Simms 27 Priscilla Myers
8 Austin Merrill 28 Denny Roberts
9 Lydia Windham 31 Ron St. Jacques

12 Chelsey Roberts



November

11 Linda Miller

4 Roger & Sherrie Smith 24 Janet & Ron St. Jacques

19 Ralph & Miriam Story

December

7 Jerry & Joyce Miller 24 Frank & Lynda Edwards 9 Chuck & Rachel Kersten 28 Brent & Meredyth Hume 16 Alan & Annesley Brightwell 31 Brett & Kristie Christiansen

21 Jack & Phyllis Herpy



The Busy Bees have been a working!

B&G has been busy as usual – replacing lights in the street sign and the exterior light over office. Doors have been replaced and finished and painted.

A tree was taken down out back. Roof leaks were repaired, as well as the air conditioners were repaired and replaced.

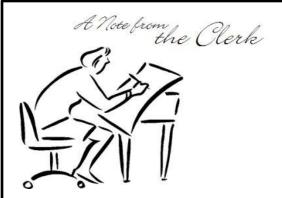
Additionally, the normal grounds upkeep was ongoing.

More than I can type – "thank you" all for keeping the ROCK up and running.

Yours in Christ!!!!!!!!!

B&G

JR and Elaine



Elder Installation will be January 20th. The Annual Congregational Meeting will be January 27th. Please keep the Pastor Search Committee in your prayers as they continue to search for a new Pastor.

December 18th – The Stated Session meeting will be a Dinner and spouses are welcome – place and time TBD.

Just a reminder to all
Committee Chairs:
Annual Reports are Due
January 16th.
Summer

From the Clerk

2018 has been a very busy year, and it seems the years go by faster and faster. I do not want this year going by without extended a huge "Thank You" to our very hard working elders. Your officers have put their hearts and souls into making sure St. Andrew's continues to be the example of Christ in our Community. When you are at church give your officers a hug or a pat on the back, I know it will go a long way.

As 2018 ends we will be saying see you later to our four exiting elders- Mary McNair, JR Wood, Summer Hackney, and Elaine Mechelke. Thank You Thank You Thank You for all your hearts and your work.

As 2019 approaches we will be welcoming back to session Judith Yeaton, Walter McNair, and Lynda Edwards. All have been previously elected officers and all will work just as hard as everyone else.

As always please pray for your Session and Have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Summer

Hurricane Michael Relief

St. Augustine Presbytery is compiling a list of needs. Until the particulars are available those wishing to donate can make checks payable to St. Augustine Presbytery with Hurricane Michael in the memo line.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES
DUE
*** DECEMBER 20th***

Articles can be e-mailed to Terry Hallihan:

99gwhfth@comcast.net
Or placed in the Newsletter box
in the office

SALVATION ARMY

We will be doing the "barrels" again this Christmas Season. The "barrels" will be available for toys in November and will be picked up around December 12th. That gives us ample time to fill the "barrels" with toys. Thank you for your support of this worthy organization's endeavor to bring a little happiness into a child's life that otherwise might not happen!

Please remember the Salvation Army wants <u>NEW</u> toys. The children's age group is infants through 12 years old. In years past we had set a price not to exceed \$20 to \$25 for the gift. All gifts are to be put into the barrels <u>UNWRAPPED</u>.

Thank you! Lydia Windham



St. Andrews Church's Flea/ Thrift Shop – "Hope Chest"

November

Well, this November we will be having our Thrift Store's "Fall Bazaar!" It will be on Saturday November 10th, from 8a.m. till 2 p.m. We will stay as long as we have shoppers up to 2. So please put us on your calendar.

Please stop by and pick up some extra flyers too and Tell all your friends and neighbors. We will have a lot of Christmas items for sale, linens, paintings, glassware and cooking appliances. We hope there will be someone out there who wants to set up a table full of home cooked goodies, people always ask about food.

Also please bring any donations, jewelry please! And Christmas items any time you'd like.

If you want to rent a table space, please stop by our store and we will set you up for \$15. We will be selling yard spaces on the 10th too. Please bring your own table. Thank you!

December

We will have some terrific Christmas items, and winter clothes in our store so please come on in and shop, we will have plenty of items for gifts too.

If you haven't shopped with us before, now is the time. Tell friends and neighbors too. Since Christmas is on a Tuesday we will be closed the 26th. The following week we will have a Christmas clearance sale.

Have a very Blessed Christmas and thank you for all your love and support this past year!

Have a Happy New Year See you in 2019! Thank you,

Donna, Elaine, Diane and all Our Volunteers

WSCO

WSCO has moved to a new location, comfortable and warming for all who visit. They are in need of:

- Office supplies, bags, boxes,
- Cleaning supplies (kitchen and bathroom)
- Curtains and area rugs.

They are in need of financial support which supports the operation of ministry and meeting the needs of individuals referred by their donor churches.

Volunteers are needed to keep the doors open. Two persons are needed at all times. Churches should call to refer candidates and provide information as to candidates' availability. Please note that community service hours are available for those referred by JSO.

Unopened and not out of date food is always welcome. Easy open canned foods or easy open packages such as canned chicken, ham, tuna, spam, sardines, mackerel, salmon, Vienna sausage, tuna salad, crackers, cereal, powdered or boxed milk, canned/cups of fruit, and anything that can be eaten without heating. Also needed are soups, broths, fully cooked pasta, ravioli, bowl noodle, chili, canned vegetables and cooked rice.

Items to assemble daily hygiene bags are needed especially grooming supplies such as washrags, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shave cream, razors, deodorant, tissue paper, tampons & pads (women and girls). These are needed for those experiencing a crisis – as a result of a fire or natural disaster.

Monthly bus tickets and \$25 gas cards are needed and provided to approved clients as financial support once per year when their family vehicle is being repaired or the client needs transportation for new employment or school.

Various sizes of clean and undamaged coats for all ages are also needed as well as blankets and warm weather clothing.

During the holidays churches are asked to adopt 3 families and donate additional items for families – movies, board games, books, socks, underwear.

Thanks for considering WSCO during this time of giving.

New Members

Susan Spranger Cell: 727-364-1162

5521 Ricker Rd. Apt. 501

Jacksonville, FL 32244 Birthday: March 26th

Susan is the 7th of 8 children and was born in Ft. Wayne, IN. This past August she moved to Jacksonville from Pinellas Park, FL where she took care of her parents for 1½ years until their deaths. She moved to Jacksonville to be near her brother. She worked for Bank of America for 20 years before quitting and moving to FL to care for her parents. She enjoys reading, word search, jig-saw puzzles and games. She is an avid dog lover and has 2 pets – Anya a Miniature Penscher Chihuahua and Bella Loca a Miniature Schnauzer. She's looking for a job.

Caroline Prichard Cell: 904-612-6237

4841 Lofty Pines Circle West

Jacksonville, FL 32210 Birthday: October 12th Gabriel Birthday: August 8, 2010 Max Birthday: June 17, 2013

Caroline is a loving grandmother raising her two grandsons. She retired from AT&T in 1997. She moved here when AT&T relocated her job from West Palm Beach to Jacksonville in 1995. She was born and raised in Memphis, TN, and grew up going to "all girls" Catholic schools. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church when she decided to give St. Andrews a try in hopes of finding a church in which her grandsons could grow up. Caroline has been raising Gabriel and Max since their births. She enjoys reading, walking and arts and crafts. She frequently walks the .7 mile circle – Lofty Pines. She takes the boys walking with her and sometimes allows them to ride their bikes, although it makes it more difficult for her to keep up with them. By growing up in Memphis she loves BBQ. When ask which she prefers, Corky's or Rendezvous and wet or dry rubbed, she said Corky's and wet.

Please give both Susan and Caroline a warm welcome to the St. Andrews Family and we are ever grateful to Caroline for bringing Gabriel and Max to us, which was the spark needed to restart our Youth Sunday School.