

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church Invites You to Join Us
for Worship Every Sunday at 10:30 AM

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church

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All members of the church

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Mrs. Deanna Golden, Director

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Mrs. Susan Moon, Bell Choirs

OFFICE MINISTRY

Mrs. Stephanie Slezak, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:30 AM—2:30 PM Closed Friday

Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church Vision Statement:

Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit, our vision is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, by members joining together in leadership and learning, to develop spiritual gifts and to extend these gifts into the community as true servants of God.

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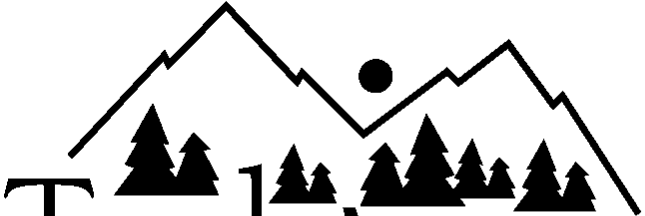
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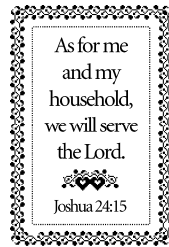


Teach me
your way,
O LORD,
& I will
walk in
your truth...

Psalm 86:11

Worship with Us in September 2011

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| Sunday, September 4 | 12th Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am Worship |
| Sunday, September 11 | 13th Sunday after Pentecost
Rally Day
9:00 am Breakfast
10:30 am Worship with Communion |
| Sunday, September 18 | 14th Sunday after Pentecost
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship |
| Sunday, September 25 | 15th Sunday after Pentecost
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship |



Our worship service is at 10:30 am.

It is also broadcast at 11:00 am every Sunday on WBUT Radio 1050 AM.



Worship Helpers for September 2011

<u>Liturgists</u>	<u>Children's Sermon</u>	<u>Children's Church</u>	
4 Susan Race	Susan Moon	No Children's Church	
11 Lori Love-Franke	Denise Hawks	Dawn Grossman	
18 Kevin Moon	Janice King	Janice King	
25 Ansu Benjamin	Dawn Grossman	Elizabeth & Abigail Haughey	
<u>Ushers</u>			
4 Mary Ann Hazlett	Scott Hazlett	Carol Landis	Dave Landis
11 Barbara Gallagher	Travis Grossman	Scott O'Day	Becky Thomas
18 Lila Albert	Don Gall	Karen Pressler	TBD
25 Don Eyth	Anzie Kelley	Rick Kelley	Susan Race

Saint Andrews Holds Fifth Annual Community Day of Prayer Saturday, September 10, 2011

Saint Andrews will be hosting our Fourth Annual Community Day of Prayer on Saturday, September 10, 2011. The sanctuary will be open from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for anyone who wishes to stop in and pray. We are asking for volunteers from our congregation to commit to praying for half-hour periods in the sanctuary during that time. If you would like to help pray, please sign up in the narthex or contact Susan Moon. If you would like us to pray for you or someone you know, please fill out the form below and mail it to Saint Andrews United Presbyterian Church, 201 E. Jefferson St. Butler, PA 16001 or email your prayer requests to office@standrewsupc.org. The deadline for prayer requests is September 6, 2011.



COMMUNITY DAY OF PRAYER - PRAYER REQUEST

NAME(S):

Please pray for (circle one):

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| Comfort | General | Guidance | Healing |
| Military | Strength | Support | Thanks |

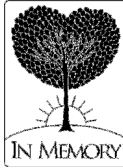
Other:

All in the Family



The sympathy and resurrection faith of the congregation go out to:

- † The family and friends of Wilber Ellison. Wilber died on Monday, July 25, 2011
- † The family and friends of Nancy Giese. Nancy died on Thursday, July 28, 2011.
- † The family and friends of William Gardner. Bill died on Monday, August 15, 2011.



A memorial donation was given in memory of Mary Guiste by CEJ Industries, Inc.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



September 2	Barb Durkacs	September 14	Carl Albert
September 2	Carol Landis	September 18	Kate Busa
September 2	Ashley Moon	September 19	Travis Mowery
September 3	Dan Mulneix	September 22	Dawn Roccki
September 3	Melinda Ripper	September 22	Mary Turk
September 4	Brian Fleeger	September 25	Doris Gallino
September 10	Mary Ann Hazlett	September 25	Tim McKay
September 11	Shirley Hindman	September 30	Rick Kelley
September 13	Rachel Brunswick		
September 13	Amy Monteleone		
September 13	Zoann Weckerly		



Rally Day Communion

We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together during worship on Sunday, September 11, 2011. Please join us!



New Church Directories Available

Our new church directory lists contact information for members and friends of Saint Andrews. Copies are available in the narthex. Be sure to pick one up!



OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 5, in celebration of Labor Day.



OFFICE HOURS

Regular church office hours (9:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday through Thursday) will resume on Tuesday, September 6th.

Elder Training

Saturday, September 24th

The Sessions of Saint Andrews and Covenant United Presbyterian Church will meet for joint elder training on Saturday, September 24, from 9:15 am to 1:00 pm.



Soup Fest 2011 Saturday, October 15th A Potful of Possibilities



Please join us on Saturday, October 15, for a soup and salad extravaganza in the Bethany Room. Some of our congregation's top chefs will be providing a wonderful array of soups, salads and desserts. Bring the whole family for a great night out and benefit the church's general fund at the same time. Hope to see you there!



MUSIC NEWS

Guest Musicians

If you know of an individual, family or small community group who might provide worship music this fall, please forward their name (and contact info if possible) to Deanna. We welcome new ideas!



Fall Season

If ever you were considering joining the choir, this is the year to do it!! Deanna attended classes this summer to learn more about teaching aging voices, young beginner voices, men's voices, and to brush up on singing technique and vocal health. Remember, you don't need to be a singer to join the choir; you need to join to be a singer.

Choir rehearsals will resume Thursday, September 8, from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Subsequent rehearsals will end by 8:45 pm.

Thanks



Thank you to all the musicians and singers who shared their talents during worship this summer and to the cantors who lead our service music: Ansu Benjamin, Deanna Golden, Kyle Golden, Abigail Haughey, Elizabeth Haughey, Barb Hutchison, Betty Judson, Ashley Moon, Kendra Mulneix, Olivia Mulneix, Don Roberts, Melanie Rogers, Bud Weckerly, ZoAnn Weckerly, and Jessica White.

Canticleer Ringers



The Canticleer Ringers are on the lookout for new members. If you have a free evening and would like to give handbells a try, here is your chance! Contact Susan Moon at 724-283-9448 or askmoons@zoominternet.net.

Rehearsals begin September 8 at 6:15 pm. Hope to see you there!



Ford Sniezek Update

Please continue to pray for Baby Ford. He is the son of Scott and Kayla Sniezek, and the grandson of Rev. Thomas and Dee Henretty of the Brockway Christian & Missionary Alliance Church. Ford was born in September 2010 and has been diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA). SMA refers to a group of diseases which affect the motor neurons of the spinal cord and brain stem. These critically important cells are responsible for supplying electrical and chemical messages to muscle cells. Without the proper input from the motor neurons, muscle cells can not function properly. They become much smaller (atrophy) and produce symptoms of muscle weakness. (From <http://fightsma.org>)

Ford has Type One SMA, which is the most severe. He has already spent weeks in the hospital and undergone numerous procedures, including the insertion of a feeding tube. He requires round-the-clock care and a multitude of specialized medical equipment, much of which is not covered by medical insurance. Kayla has resigned from her job to care for him. Scott has missed many days of work to be with Ford in the hospital and on long distance trips to medical appointments in Philadelphia. If you'd like to help with a financial donation, please visit www.gofundme.com/FriendsofFord. Please keep Ford, Kayla and Scott in your prayers.



CORN ROAST THANK YOU



Many thanks to the entire Weckerly family for the wonderful Corn Roast and Picnic that was held on August 20th. The food, especially the corn, was the best! Thank you so much for a great evening. We are already looking forward to next year's Corn Roast!

Many of you have been praying for two baby boys—Benjamin and Ford. We recently received the following updates:



Benjamin Mumaw Update

Benjamin, infant son of Rev. William and Laura Mumaw, and grandson of Dave and Peggy Pisani, is currently under care for neuroblastoma (cancer). Benjamin and his parents recently traveled to New York City for treatment. He is now back home in Pennsylvania and is doing well.

The good news is Benjamin's primary tumor in his adrenal gland has shrunk, and the surgeon says it is too small to try to remove. The tumors in his liver are also smaller, though there are still numerous small spots present. The doctors expected this and say the liver may take a long time to clear completely.

Unfortunately, there is still a small amount of cancer in part of his bone marrow, which they did not expect. The doctors think the cancer that is left should resolve on its own, but since the bone marrow is still a bit of a question mark, they want to repeat tests in 4 weeks. Hopefully his bone marrow will be clear at that point. If not, he will most likely need more chemotherapy.

Please pray that the remaining cancer in the bone marrow and adrenal gland is gone and that the liver lesions are smaller the next time Benjamin is scanned. Benjamin's family would like to thank everyone for their prayers. Laura and Bill write, "They have uplifted us and truly made a difference for Benjamin. We are so thankful for the love and support from all of you!"

A fund for Baby Ben has been set up at the Citizens Bank within the Giant Eagle. Donations can be sent to:

Mumaw Account
Giant Eagle Citizens Bank
223 Grove City Road
Slippery Rock, PA 16057



Please write 623391516 in the memo section of the check



Canticleer II Choir



Have you ever thought, "I'd love to play handbells, but..."

- I can't read music."
- It would be too hard"
- I can't commit to rehearsals every week."
- They have been ringing together for so long, I wouldn't fit in."
- I'm not sure it's for me."

Now you have the chance to put your fears to rest. On October 13, we will start a Canticleer II choir. You need only commit to four rehearsals. They will be from 6:45 pm to 7:15 pm on October 13th, 20th, 27th and November 3rd. The music will be simple enough for anyone, ages 12 to 100, who would like to ring. We will play during worship on November 6th; then you're done (or you just may be hooked and choose to continue!).

Just let Susan Moon know you're coming (724-283-9448, 724-504-3515, ask-moons@zoominternet.net) by September 29th and then show up on October 13th ready to laugh, learn, and worship our Lord through music!



U-Name-It Auction Friday, November 4th

The Mission Team is seeking donations from the congregation for our annual U-Name-It Auction. Proceeds will benefit missions here at home and around the world.

What are we looking for? U Guessed it.....U Name it.

The donations can be (almost) anything.....Sure, we're looking for regular items and gift certificates, but we're also interested in more unique gifts of your time and talents that could be auctioned off...

Some Ideas:

- Perhaps you have a classic car and would be willing to give someone a driving tour of Butler
- You're a closet gourmet chef and would be willing to cook a candlelight dinner for two
- You're willing to provide babysitting for an evening or supply lawn maintenance/ labor for a day or a few hours
- A basket of goodies for a family movie night
- Handmade quilts or afghans
- So you sing, dance, ride, cook, sew, knit, crochet, scrapbook? How about giving a few lessons?



These are just a few ideas. As you can see it can be ANYTHING (Well almost anything)--

U-NAME-IT!!



Anyone with suggestions on improvements or changes for this year's auction, please contact Jeanne Wilson at 724-282-6095.



First Sunday Mission Offering September 4, 2011



Our First Sunday Mission Offering in September will go to our sponsored child at the Indo-American Home for Children. Dison has been our sponsored child for the past three years. Unfortunately, he has been removed from the home by his mother so he can be put to work. While there is some hope that he may be returned, that has not yet happened. It is a sad thing for Dison. Please remember him in prayer, asking God for a better life for him.

On a happier note ~ J. Kowsalya is our new sponsored child. She turned 13 on January 25, 2011 and comes from a very poor family. Her mother works as a laborer and her father has died. Kowsalya has two brothers. She wrote the following letter to her previous sponsors last September. The letter tells us a lot about her personality and thinking:

Dear Sponsored Parents,

I am ok here and my friends in the Home also. How is your family? I am studying well. How is your health? My annual exam is starting now. Everyday I pray to God.

I am studying in 7th std. My favourite subject is maths. Every Saturday we have computer classes, music, spiritual and spoken English classes in the Home. Every Sunday we go to church and attend the service and Bible classes.

I have only two brothers, my father is no more. My mother is a labourer. She gets much less wages. We have a beautiful garden in our Home.

I like our Lord very much. Jesus is my best friend. All our teachers are very nice, specially our Home teachers and Mother. We can easily talk to them our wishes. They treat us very well. We thank our Doctor Sir and Madam for all the things they have given us.

Won't you pray for me? I do always for you. Thanking you.

Lovingly yours,
J. Kowsalya

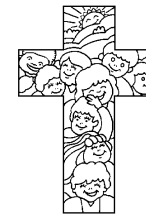
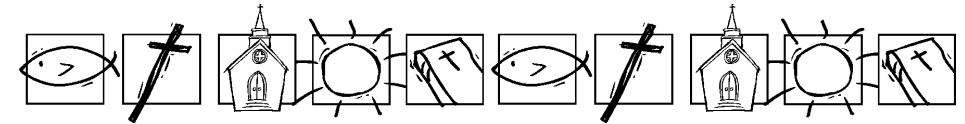
To help fund our sponsored child, simply mark your check "Sponsored Child" or use a "First Sunday Mission Offering" envelope found in the pew racks. Also, please continue to support Dison and J. Kowsalya in prayer. Thank you!

Rally Day!

Sunday, September 11th

Starts at 9:00 am in the Memorial Room

Sunday School is starting up! Join us for a delicious breakfast and fun fellowship on Sunday, Sept 11, at 9:00 am in the Memorial Room. At 9:45, we'll go upstairs to our Sunday School room to meet our teachers and make a fun craft. Later that morning our congregation will commission our Sunday School teachers during worship. See you there!



K.I.C.K. Kids in Christ Klub

K.I.C.K. is for anyone in Preschool - Sixth Grade

We meet every Wednesday, starting on October 5th. Special events include:

Wednesday, October 5th - K.I.C.K starts

Wednesday, October 26th - Halloween party

Wednesday, November 16th - Family game night

Wednesday, December 14th - Birthday party for Jesus

Mark your calendars now and come!



PIZZA PARTY

Joy Ringers Pizza Party Wednesday, September 28th 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Are you in 5th Grade or older? Would you like to learn more about the youth handbell choir? Come to the Joy Ringers Pizza Party on Wednesday, September 28th. We'll meet in the Memorial Room at 6:00 pm to eat some pizza, catch up on each other's summers, and play the Cup Game. See you there!



September Schedule

Saint Andrews Youth Group meets
Sunday evenings from
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

September 4	No Youth Group
September 11	Trinity SNL. Meet at Saint Andrews at 4:30 pm
September 18	Youth Group
September 25	Youth Group— Special Activity TBD



Sunday Lunches

Saint Andrews Youth will be preparing and distributing Sunday lunches after worship on Sunday, September 4th and Sunday, September 25th.



MISSION WEEK, CRUISE-A-PALOOZA & FARM SHOW

Special thanks to everyone who provided meals, prayers and support during our Mission Week in July! Thanks also to those who contributed their time and made donations to the Farm Show Drink Stand. Saint Andrews raised \$470 from the Cruise-A-Palooza and Farm Show Drink Stands. The money will help fund future Mission Trips. Additionally, \$301.91 was raised for Baby Ben!



Community Dinner Team

If you are unable to help this month, please contact one of the following individuals. They will be more than happy to substitute if needed:

Dawn Grossman, 724-991-9888
or Chuck King, 724-285-1289.



September

Manna Team

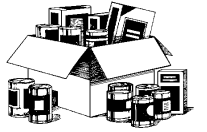
Cooks—Arrive around 2:30 pm
Carol Israel, Carol Landis,
Caroline Mahood

Set-up—Arrive around 4:00 pm
Gary and Judy Gregson

Servers—Arrive around 4:45 pm
Lois Clement, Kathy Ditch,
Kathy Eamigh, Barb Hutchison

Clean-Up—Arrive around 5:15 pm
Bob Eamigh, Dale Hutchison,
Vickie Swigart

Covenant Food Cupboard



Please prayerfully consider how you can help with this ongoing mission to our neighbors.

Suggested items for this month are:
Peanut Butter, Cereal, Rolled Oats,
Crackers. The Food Cupboard happily
accepts other food items as well.



DINNER WITH FRIENDS

“Dinner With Friends” will be gathering at the Bravo Italian Kitchen in Cranberry at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 17th. Please RSVP Barb Gallagher at 724-282-4244 if you would like to come. It's always a wonderful night out!





The following thank you letters were received by Saint Andrews over the past few months:

Dear Saint Andrews,

This letter brings sincere thanks for your generosity in permitting VOICe (Victim Outreach Intervention Center) to use your church's Bethany Room for the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day event. Without your support, commitment and contribution, we would not have been able to provide a forum to share vital information with providers who work with senior citizens every day. In particular, we appreciate Reverend Meloy's leadership and professionalism in presenting information which guided the participants through the "Moment of Silence" segment of the program.

Every day can be a struggle for someone who is a victim of a violent crime. With the generous help of organizations such as yours, these struggles get a little easier and hope a little stronger. Please know that you have made a difference in the cohesiveness of services for survivors of violent crime in Butler County.

With heartfelt thanks,
Rebecca A. Rosenblum, Director of Community Advocacy Services
Gloria Armstrong, Senior Services Advocate

Dear Saint Andrews,

I want to thank the members of Saint Andrews for the donation and for the opportunity and privilege of preaching several Sundays in July.

Generosity like yours enables the Samaritan Center to provide quality, professional Christian counseling to those who are unable to pay the full fee for their therapy. In 2010, we provided nearly 4,500 counseling sessions. By receiving counseling, these people are able to live more productive and fulfilling lives, enabling them to become the persons God intends them to be. Your donation will truly touch and change lives at a very deep and personal level.

Again, thank you for the donation, but even more, thank you for believing in the mission of the Samaritan Counseling Center.

God bless you,
Rev. Carl L. Baughman, MDiv, MS, LMFT, Executive Director



Dear Wheelchair Escort Volunteers of Saint Andrews,

I personally want to thank you much for your ministry to the Veterans in our Chapel Service. We may be small in number but they enjoy it so much, as do I. You have a wonderful gift and your time, effort, and personal sacrifice in sharing it with us are most appreciated. Until we see you again, may God bless you in all you do and lift you up.

Grace & Peace,
Bob Smith, BCC
Lead Chaplain, VA Butler Healthcare

Dear Friends of the Community,

Thank you for your donation to the Butler Emergency Relief Fund. The community is blessed because of friends like you who reach out to ensure that our neighbors can remain in their homes with the proper utility supports.

Unfortunately, many unemployed families are struggling. The Utility Integrated Point of Contact at the Center for Community Resources fields approximately 270 calls per month, with at least 100 of those being first-time callers for assistance. We continue to partner with the Housing Authority, CCR, Neighborhood Legal Services, The Lighthouse Foundation, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Charities, the Assistance Office, along with fuel and utility providers to ensure accountability and non-duplication of service. In July, we began a "step down" accountability program that first suggests steps that clients should voluntarily take to improve their financial stability. If they seek help a second time, they are required to participate in housing counseling, employment counseling or financial literacy training in order to receive any further assistance. This initiative makes resources stretch farther and encourages individuals to take more responsibility for their debt.

Once again, thank you for helping to make a difference in the lives of others!

Dale Pinkerton, Chairman, BERI Oversight Committee

Dear Saint Andrews Congregation,

Many thanks for your donation to the Butler Community Health Clinic. As you may know, one of our major concerns is funding dental care, especially now with Highmark's \$190,000 grant running out this fall. We hope to convince them to change their minds, but their policy is not to fund ongoing operational costs.

Your gift will certainly help to support our efforts.

With all good wishes,
Jean B. Purvis, Secretary, Board of Directors