



October 2018



Committee meetings

Worship Committee- Tuesday,
Oct. 2nd 2:00 p.m.

Church Council – Tuesday,
Oct. 9th 4:30 p.m.

Finance Committee – Tuesday,
Oct. 16th - 4:30 p.m.

Board Meeting – Tuesday
Oct. 16th - 5:30 p.m.

Trustee's - Wednesday,
Oct. 17th at 4:00 p.m.

Membership Welcome –
Thursday, Oct. 18 at 3:00 pm

October scriptures

October 7th - Galatians 3:25-29
Ephesians 4:1-6

October 14th – Mark 10:17-31

October 21st – Job 38:1-7;34-41
Mark 10:35-45

October 28th - 1 Tim. 4:12-16
Luke 18:15-17

A word from the pastor

Dear church family,

There was a time, especially in the years just after World War II, when World Communion Sunday spoke of our ties to Christians in very distant places. Today, however, the world is much smaller – and indeed diversity is on our doorstep. Baldwin County is much more diverse than ever. That has not made us closer, however. We still have a ways to go to build friendships across racial lines.

On World Communion Sunday, **October 7, at 3:00**, Christians from all over south Baldwin County will come together at Foley United Methodist for an event called **Path to Peace**. Last year's inaugural event drew a standing-room-only multiracial crowd for a wonderful, spirit-filled afternoon. This year again, we'll pray for police and firefighters, who will pray for our communities and grill hamburgers. There will be great music, powerful messages, and an encouragement to make new friends.

It's just the start. The most important thing that Path to Peace can foster is friendship across racial lines. You can help with that. Would you be glad to host a small dinner for new friends?

These meals can happen at the convenience of the hosts, either in a home or at a church, with the hosts' own meals or potluck dishes. Path to Peace can furnish a small group of eight guests representing different churches and ethnic backgrounds. There will be no agenda -- just the pleasure of making new friends. If the groups choose to get together again, all the better.

With your help, and some gracious Southern hospitality, we might make a dent toward racial progress in our area.

October

Anniversaries

- 8th Paul & May Alanko
14th John & Lynn Boller
15th Nathan & Joanna
Stoddard
21st Charles & Shelia Nicoll

Birthdays

- 2nd Cassie Miller
2nd Deborah Hood
4th Tom Bailey
6th Betty Lane Thrasher
9th Gayle Racine
9th Valerie Robinson
10th Peggie Prish
11th John Underwood
12th Dee Jones
13th Robert Craft
21st Tammy Bryant
23rd Jamie Davidson
27th Jane Webb
31st Don Kopf
31st Jim Owen

Memorials

Ed Hand

Mr. Mrs. Carlton Garner

Building Fund

Mr. & Mrs. Lane Merchant

Ab DeWeese

Mr. Mrs. Carlton Garner

Building Fund

Mr. & Mrs. Lane Merchant

Building Fund

Mr. & Mrs. Wade Ward

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October is St Andrew by the Sea's month to supply food to the food pantry at the Christian Service Center.

Your help is deeply appreciated! You may do your own shopping and bring groceries to the church. Or you may write a check so the CSC may buy food for pennies on the dollar and stretch your contribution to the maximum.

Canned meat; i.e. chicken, tuna, Ramen Noodles, Cereal, Saltine Crackers, Oatmeal (Individual Packets), Grits (Individual Packets), Boxed dinners; i.e. Hamburger Helper, Jelly - any flavor, Peanut Butter, and Mac and Cheese.

Additional items often requested: soap bars, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, and other toiletries, clothes detergent (dry), small dish washing detergent, as well as disposable diapers and baby wipes are always needed. Adult bicycles needed. Contributions of these items would be greatly appreciated!

Join the **St. Andrew Men** for our monthly breakfast on **Tues., Oct. 9th** at 9 a.m. Enjoy a wonderful breakfast as well as great fellowship. No reservation required.

You are also invited to attend the **Men's Community Prayer Breakfast** on Thurs., **Oct. 18** from 7:00-8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall here at St Andrew by the Sea. We encourage you to invite a friend. **Please contact Perry Hand at 251-604-7936 for your reservation.**

Women's Book Talk October 25th at 1 p.m.

St. Andrew Ladies Lunch Bunch: We will meet at The Ruby Red Slipper in Orange Beach on Monday, **October 22nd** at noon. Please make your reservations by Monday, October 15th by calling Laura Geneux at 233-9349 or emailing her at lg36535@gmail. We're looking forward to a great gathering so bring your new friend from church or a neighbor to help us celebrate fall and hopefully cooler weather!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP WITH SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFASTS? They're deeply appreciated, and make it much easier for families to attend Sunday school. By taking a turn now and then, individuals, friends, and classes can make St. Andrew a welcoming place. Please see the sign-up sheet outside the church office, or call Pat Strahan at 968-3900. Many thanks!

Ushers for October

7th Tom Gauntt, Herb Malone, John Milano, Robert Monk, Jim Roy, Allen Woerner

14th Marge Bumann, Robert Craft, Mike Cutchen, Clint Davis, Andy Haynes, German Moran, Betty Patton, Mike Vaughn, Allen Woerner

21st John Boller, Andy Burgess, Dolly Crewes, Tim Fulmer, Chance McLemore, Charles Runels, Jan Zimmerman

28th Bob Davidson, Tommy Lee, Joe Slaughter, Mike Stanley, Eileen Sylvester, Mickey Webb, Murrell Webb



St. Andrew Women's Packages for Soldiers

St. Andrew Women will be collecting items to send to our military personnel. Chaplain Jonathan Henderson, who served as our associate minister several years ago, will be distributing our gifts and is so grateful that we are thinking of him and his men and women. We invite the entire congregation to participate in this project. Items suggested are gift cards (Amazon, iTunes, Google Play), candy, gum, mints. You may also give a monetary gift and we will purchase the gift cards. Gifts may be given to Susanna Lax, Harriet Slaughter, or the church office. These gifts will be blessed on **November 11th**, Veterans Day, and mailed to arrive before Christmas.

St. Andrew Women will meet October 11th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be the counselor from Gulf Shores Elementary School. We will also be making cookie bags for all the staff at GSES and OBES to show our appreciation to them for caring for the children of the island. You are asked to bring 2 dozen large cookies. Hope everyone can be there!! Bring a friend and come get involved!!



Choir boxed-chicken dinner and Fall Festival/Trunk-R-Treat

The Chancel Choir and Music Committee will be having our 7th Annual Fried Chicken Box/Halloween Fun dinner on **Oct. 28th following the morning worship service** in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a bake sale as well as games, face painting, and Trunk-r-Treating behind the Fellowship Hall. We would love to have a great deal of people this year involved in our trunk or treat. Anyone that would like to decorate their trunk and hand out candy can contact Sara at Sarastap82@yahoo.com. **(Donations are welcome for both candy and prizes.)**

Children are welcome to wear their costumes and get ready for a great day! There will be lots of fun for both children and adults! Please come out and support our choir! This is a catered event, tickets must be purchased by Wed. Oct. 24th so that we may place our order. Woodson's Barge-N will be supplying our chicken boxes with chicken, baked beans, slaw and roll. Tickets will be available from any choir member or from the church office at a cost of \$10.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. We hope you will join us for a wonderful time!

There will be no Children & Youth Wednesday night activities on October 31st

Please like our Facebook page at [St. Andrew by the Sea-Gulf Shores AL](#)

Email: lnorwood50@gmail.com

2018 Building Fund Pledge Drive
Families pledged to date – 78
Total giving households - 106
Total Building Fund Pledges to date: \$768,400.00
Total Funds Received from all sources to date: \$562,605.00

<u>Financial Summary for September</u>	<u>Pledged</u>	<u>Loose Plate/Non</u>
<u>Pledge</u>		
September Budgeted	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
September Actual	\$ 30,590.00	\$ 9,559.00
Year to Date Budgeted	\$ 221,000.00	\$ 134,000.00
Year to Date Actual	\$ 225,857.00	\$ 119,715.00

September Communion offering
The Jennifer Moore Foundation \$495.00



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In-service will meet on **October 2nd and 16th** at 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

September attendance

2nd- 165

9th - 163

16th - 161

23rd – 160

30th –

September church school

2nd- 40

9th - 38

16th - 48

23rd – 45

30th –

Opportunities for Children and Youth

Saturday, October 6th, 6 pm- 8:30 pm is Elementary School Movie night. We will be watching "Coco". Parents, bring your kids to have a blast! Popcorn and treats are provided. Bring a blanket, a pillow and a friend!

Saturday, October 20th 6pm meet at Saint Andrew- Middle and high school students. Graham Creek Haunted Forest. Are you brave enough?? Let's find out together. Hopefully we will all return to the church by 9:30pm. \$15.00 per person.

Please plan to participate in our Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, October 28th following service and the chicken-box-lunch. It would be wonderful to have as many people decorate their trunks and hand out candy to our children.

Many of us love to hear the stories written by Dr. Seuss, right? Our children have been hearing stories from this famous author on Wednesday evenings. They have learned that "Green Eggs and Ham" may not seem too appealing at first sight, but there is more than meets the eye. They were introduced to all types of different green foods, some of which they had never tasted (cucumbers, sweet pickles, bell peppers, green jellybeans, green yogurt). While we are learning and growing in our relationship with Christ, it is good for us to keep in mind that some people do not know him and may even be hesitant to find out who he is. It is our mission as believers to share what we know with others. We can help others to "Taste and see that the Lord is good and blessed is the man that takes refuge in him" Psalm 34:8.

Would you like to volunteer to help out on Wednesday nights with the children and youth activities? Our Wednesday night crowds are growing. Come join us in the fun and fellowship. Please contact Sara Hunter for information.

GETTING A BAND TOGETHER

Our St. Andrew teens have expressed a desire to form a praise and worship band for Wednesday nights and other times. And we're delighted, because the gathering space in the new education building was designed for just such a purpose. The kids are looking for drums, guitars, a bass, and amplifier. If you'd like to help with such items, please see Sara Hunter!

Rev. George Myers will offer “Choosing Civility,” a short course on what we can do to foster a healthier public climate. Starting with a book by Dr. P.M. Forni, co-founder of the Johns Hopkins University Civility Project, we will hear from people in the front lines and explore the biblical basis for civil society – how we might shout less and listen more. If ever there was a good topic for St. Andrew, this is it – because we have always aspired to be a community church that brings together from a wide variety of perspectives.

Please join George on **Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.**

Would you like to help with Sunday morning breakfast?

They’re deeply appreciated, and make it much easier for families to attend Sunday school. By taking a turn now and then, individuals, friends, and classes can make St. Andrew a welcoming place. Please see the sign-up sheet outside the church office, or call Pat Strahan at 968-3900. Many thanks!

Join us for our Wednesday night family activities beginning with dinner at 5:45 p.m. Child care will be available for all Wednesday evening classes beginning at 6 p.m. **If you are interested in cooking for our Wednesday family night please see the sign-up sheet outside the church office, or call Pat Strahan at 968-3900. Many thanks!**

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS



Pam Muxworthy



Glenda and Darrell Hansen

Free Medical Clinic

Volunteer physicians, nurse practitioners, PAs, nurses, pharmacists, social workers, medical assistants and clerks give their time three days per week to serve patients without medical insurance and do not qualify for Medicaid. This program is called the Alabama Free Clinic of Baldwin County. (AFC) There are three locations in the County; Bay Minette, Robertsdale and Gulf Shores (South Baldwin Medical Center)

Here is how you can become part of this program. AFC needs donations of unused prescription drugs for redistribution to those in need. Narcotic and anti-anxiety drugs are NOT accepted. Any and all medication you no longer need, regardless of expiration date, may be donated as long as it is in its originally prescribed container. Redact any and all personal information. There is a brightly colored box in the Narthex during the Service and the box will be in the Church office during the week where you may drop your donations at your convenience.”

St. Andrew by the Sea is partnering with Holy Spirit Episcopal for this program.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Prayer group 9 a.m. Festival Bells 1:30 p.m. Worship Com. 2 p.m. Stephen Ministry In-Service 3 p.m. Weight Watchers 5	3 Children's Choir Bell practice Adult Classes 5p.m. Supper 5:45 p.m. Choir & Children's Activities 6 p.m.	4	5	6
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28 Choir Fried Chicken Dinner & Trunk R Treat	29	30 Prayer group 9 a.m. Festival Bells 1:30 p.m. Weight Watchers 5	31 There will be no Wednesday night activities.			