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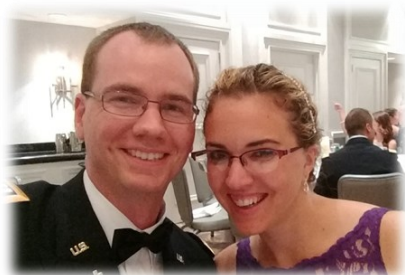


WELCOME ABIGAIL FELTZ *(New Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries)*

Abby was raised in the Miami Valley, growing up on a dairy farm in the Eaton, Ohio area. She graduated from Kentucky Christian University in 2009, with a BS in Elementary Education and Bible and currently attends United Theological Seminary where she is projected to graduate in 2020 with her Masters of Christian Ministries.

Prior to St. Andrew UMC, Abby served at Twin Oaks UMC (Oakwood, Ohio; near Defiance) as Children's Pastor and Spencerville Trinity UMC (near Lima, Ohio) as Director of Community Education and Small Groups. Life before ministry included working for Carnival Cruise Lines with their youth and entertainment staff for three years and 12 years in various Christian summer camp roles, ranging from Jr. Staff to Program Director.

Abby believes firmly in the mission and message of the local church to be a place of transformation for communities and lives. Her hope is to create opportunities for children, youth, and families to grow closer to God, both inside and outside the church.



She and her husband, Brady, have been married since December 2016. Brady is an Elder in the UMC currently serving at Stillwater UMC and a Chaplain in the Army Reserves. As a married pastoral couple, they dream of one day starting a church for military and their families.

Abby will spend her time as a liaison for Fairbrook School and work with our children on Sunday mornings as well as on Wednesdays at "The Well."

Wright State students to join our Choir.

Using the Wright State Fund we will be giving a stipend to four students to lead the four sections of the choir. Currently we are receiving applications and look forward to enriching the Chancel Choir music ministry. Please give them a warm welcome when you see them, and maybe even invite one or more of them to join you for lunch to get to know them.



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DON'T FORGET

Come worship
outdoors on Sunday,
September 2
at 10:30 a.m.
and stay for a
potluck picnic.

INVITE FRIENDS & FAMILY

ENOUGH

Discovering Joy Through
Simplicity and Generosity



Commit to coming every Sunday in September for worship. Get together with a few friends and study the book together or come on Mondays at 6:30 to the parsonage. The video teaching from Adam Hamilton can be borrowed from Pastor Lilanthi.

Blessed to be a Blessing

The Finance Committee hopes that you will join us in worship in the coming weeks for a church-wide study and worship emphasis titled Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity. We live in a society that tells us “you deserve it now,” whether or not we can afford it or really even need it.

We’ve all struggled with these issues at one time or another. We know that we have. Soon we are going to explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management. We’ll look at what others have learned by working through financial challenges. Through September you will be provided with some tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation.

These are important issues that we cannot ignore. I hope you will join us as we look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience that God is “Enough.”

Faith cards (Commitment to give through Faith) will be provided for you to pick up in mid-September, and you should plan to turn them in on Sunday, September 30th .

In Christ, The Finance Committee.

But when you sow the seed, it grows. It becomes the greatest... Mark 4:32

MCCI—Update

In June members from St. Andrew met with Sue Nilson Kibbey from the Conference to discover if this was a path to continue with Pastor Lilanthi. The consensus of those present was “yes.” On September 11, Pastor Lilanthi will go for her first meeting in Grove City and the MCCI leadership team will meet afterwards.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY
FOR GOD’S WILL TO BE
DISCERNED**

Exciting times... sad times...

It has been a joy to be a part of St. Andrew Church family. I have received a warm welcome and truly appreciate the time and energy that many of you put into preparing the parsonage for our family. We are enjoying our neighbors and our new home.

It was a joy to be part of the cottage meetings during July & August. I really appreciated all who hosted these meetings and all who attended. The sharing was enlightening and inspiring. The comments made will be displayed in the Conference room for all to see and a summary will be prepared.

Transitions are exciting times, but can also be anxious times. But one thing that we can be assured of is that we do not walk alone through these times of change. The one who is unchanging and loves us is faithful to walk with us. God does provide and equip us for new beginnings.

Please keep Laura, our Office Administrator, in your prayers. She has been advised by her nephrologist that she has stage 4 kidney disease and advised to secure another job with fewer hours and a lighter workload. Her last day will be Friday September 21. SPRC will be seeking to fill this position by September 24th.

Pastor Lilanthi

Fairbrook

Please continue to pray for the students, and staff at Fairbrook. Pray also for Abby as she begins to connect with the school.



Music Ministry—Pot Luck Lunch Sun, Sept. 16

This is an opportunity for Chancel Choir and Praise Band to welcome our Wright State students and get to know them. All those currently involved and those who might like to join the music ministry are welcome. **Lunch is at the parsonage, 92 Beacon Hill Road, Beaver Creek at Noon.**

Stars to Shaker Village Sept. 19

All are welcome to join the seniors to car pool and leave at 9:00 a.m. to go back in time to the Shaker Village and enjoy a good lunch.

Free Friday Family Movie Night October 5 at 7:00 pm

Mark your Calendar and
invite families.

More information next month.



Bazaar Preparations

It's that time again....Donations for Attic Treasures, Toys, Books, Videos, CD's, Children's Clothes, AND **(a new category) Gently Worn Adult Clothing, and Jewelry.**

Donations are being accepted now.

This is a great opportunity for us to connect with our community. How will you participate?

- ⇒ Be sure to invite friend, family, neighbors and coworkers.
- ⇒ When the flyers are prepared be sure to take them to area businesses.
- ⇒ Put up yard signs

Remember the purpose of the bazaar is to support others. "Last year the profits from this bazaar helped support these local agencies: Feed the Creek, Beaver Creek Fish, Family Violence Prevention Center, etc."

September Birthdays

Barbara Johnson	9/01
Elvin Moad	9/01
Don Fitzsimmons	9/03
Josephine McCullum	9/04
Karen Mateer	9/5
Vanhthong Boualavong	9/7
Melanie Burja	9/13
Trevor Ganger	9/13
Stanley Erk	9/15
Jaiden Vassar	9/17
Mike Fenning	9/19
Charles Orr	9/23
Jeane Locke	9/24
Lynn Moad	9/25
Barb Trimbach	9/28
Noah Kirk	9/28
Elsie Matteson	9/28



SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Weekly Meetings

- Tue. & Thu. 9:30 am Yoga
- Tuesdays 10 am Sew & Sow
- Saturdays 9 & 10:15 am Yoga
- Fridays N/A 8 pm
- Scouts, Girl Scout & Lego meetings on Mondays Tuesdays & Thursdays.

Monthly Meetings

- 6 UMW Exec. Meeting 7pm
- 15 Esther Circle 9 am
- 18 Oak Tree Corner 6pm
- 25 Trustees 6:30 pm
- 27 Lydia Circle 7 pm

The Well September Meals

12—Labor Day Special
Sandwiches and lots of
other goodness

19—Jeanne's Ham Loaf,
sweet potato casserole &
Sundae Bar

26—



Sunday Mornings with Bill Hughes 9:15 am

A seven week study—"In Pursuit of Paul," begins Sunday, Sept. 9 at 9:15 am in the Conference Room. The video lecturer is Dr. Con Campbell.

Sunday Evening Beth Moore Study 6:30 p.m.

An eleven week study based on 2 Timothy begins September 9 in room 102. Beth will encourage you, "to guard what God has entrusted to you, further His kingdom by sharing Christ with others, and pour into future generations just as Paul once mentored Timothy. Because in this journey of joy and hardship, we need each other to stay the course and live lives of faithfulness." Contact Donna Shoup for more details.



Begins on September 12
Meal 5:45-6:15 pm
Studies 6:30-7:30/7:45

Come to "The Well" to be renewed, refreshed and revived in between Sundays. Come for a delicious meal, great fellowship and then grow in faith.



Come join the **Chancel Choir** rehearsals from 7:00—8:15 p.m. Contact Cameron Voorhees for more details. Come lift your voice to the Lord and enjoy great fellowship.

We know we live in a world where love is desperately needed. Walk with us as we discover more about love as the adults go through Gary Chapman's "The 5 Love Languages of Children." We'll teach children more about what it means to give and receive love.

Opening the eyes, minds, and hearts of children to experience "Love in Action" will happen by walking through the 5 Love Languages with them in stories, hands-on activities, and practical life applications. Children in this program will come away understanding themselves more by knowing their love language and how to intentionally and appropriately love with that language.

**Love in
Action**

Inviting ALL adults and Children to participate.

**Sign Up by –e-mailing Abby at
cyfministry@standrewumchurch.org**



Office Helpers

During this month of transition helpers will be needed to answer the phone so that Laura can train and prepare the office materials for a smooth transition. If you can serve for a morning, or afternoon for a few hours please inform Bonnie Neidhart.

Hospitality Ministry Greeters & Gathering Grounds

Greeting ALL who come into our building for worship is a vital ministry of hospitality. People of all ages can be greeters. Coffee and beverages are a great way to have fellowship and getting to know one another. Please be sure to sign up on the bulletin Board.

St Paul's Lunch Tuesday, September 11 at Noon

Please consider joining the team to work in the kitchen, serve, clean-up and/or bake cookies. The sign-up sheet is in the Atrium. Thanks. Marcy Lauersdorf



Non-perishable food Collection on Sunday September 9.

All Donations gratefully received.



Mark your calendars and begin collecting for newborn supplies for October 13. **Check the Atrium for details.**

Serve one another as Christ has served...

New Hope Sun., Sept. 30 Worship at 5pm and Serve dinner at 6 pm

Car pool from St. Andrew at 4:30 p.m. Lots of ways to serve:

- PRAY for members of New Hope and St. Andrew who will serve.
- Donate Pulled Pork Dinner items or cash. Sign up in the Atrium.
- Serve 100 people dinner.
- Come to worship.
- Donate goods for the FREE Store—for list of items check our web page or the Atrium.

The Giving Garden is still giving...

Our peppers, tomatoes, carrots and herbs are still producing, but we harvested the last of our pole beans. Our pole beans and wax beans were wiped out this week by Mexican bean beetles. In addition to these pests, this summer we've endured horned tomato worms, Japanese beetles, and a resident bunny. Despite all this, we've still managed to deliver 325+ lbs. to the food pantries. *God doesn't promise that life will be easy, but He does promise to be with us through the difficulties.* Feeling blessed.

If you have any surplus produce from your home garden that you would like to donate to the food pantries, please leave it in the church kitchen by Monday before 7 pm, and we will include it in our weekly delivery.

Check the calendar in the hallway to help with harvesting and watering.





St. Andrew is named for the disciple Andrew, who was a fisherman by trade. Andrew was the first disciple to invite others to meet Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people" (Matthew 4:19). This is still our mission today.

The people of St. Andrew United Methodist Church have been called by God to EMBRACE, EQUIP and ENCOURAGE persons of all ages to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Come Join us for Worship & Adult Sunday School

ALL are welcome to join us in worshipping the Living God and our Savior Jesus Christ. We invite God's Holy Spirit to fill us and use us for God's Kingdom work here on earth.

We seek to love one another as God loves us.

8:15 Worship in the Chapel

9:15 Adult Sunday School (Conference Room)

10:15 Family Worship with music provided by our Praise Band and Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary. Children's Church for elementary age children after children's message.

Nursery for children under 3 years available from 9:15 – 11:30 a.m.



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