

Footprints

April 1, 2019
Volume 7

Let us prepare for the **GOOD NEWS** of the Risen Christ.

To truly experience the resurrection and the joy it's important for us to also experience the grief associated with the death of our Savior Jesus. So I invite you to come for our Holy week services
 Sunday, April 14th 10:30 am service only (Sanctuary)
 Thursday, April 18th 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
 Good Friday April 19th 12:00 p.m. (Chapel)
 and 7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)
 Easter Sunday 21st 8:15 (Chapel) 10:15 (Sanctuary)
MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY KNOW THE JOY OF THE RISEN CHRIST



Easter Flowers The Worship team will be purchasing Daffodils & Tulips in lavender & pink, Begonias in pink & yellow, Hydrangeas in blue, purple, pink & white along with white Easter Lilies to adorn our Sanctuary for Easter. There will be a sheet in the Atrium for you to indicate which flowers (Approx. \$10 each) you would like to sponsor in honor of or in memory of a loved one. You may also take them to a Nursing Home or plant them in the Church gardens. Flowers will be available for pick up after the 10:15 a.m. Worship Service. Any additional plants purchased will be available for sale after Easter Sunday worship. (Colors based on availability)



Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 13th at 11:00 a.m.

This as an all church event as we invite and welcome the whole community. **How can you Serve?**
 You can bring individually wrapped candy by April 7th
 You can fill the eggs on Monday, April 8th 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 You can help with set up on April 13th or offering hospitality
 You can help with clean up.



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DON'T FORGET
Our Mission to reach out...

Please bring non perishable food for Wesley Center on the 2nd Sunday of each month.



INVITE
Friends
Relatives
Acquaintances and
Neighbors to Worship

*Jesus IS Risen - He is Risen indeed!
We are resurrection people - let us live with HOPE and JOY.*

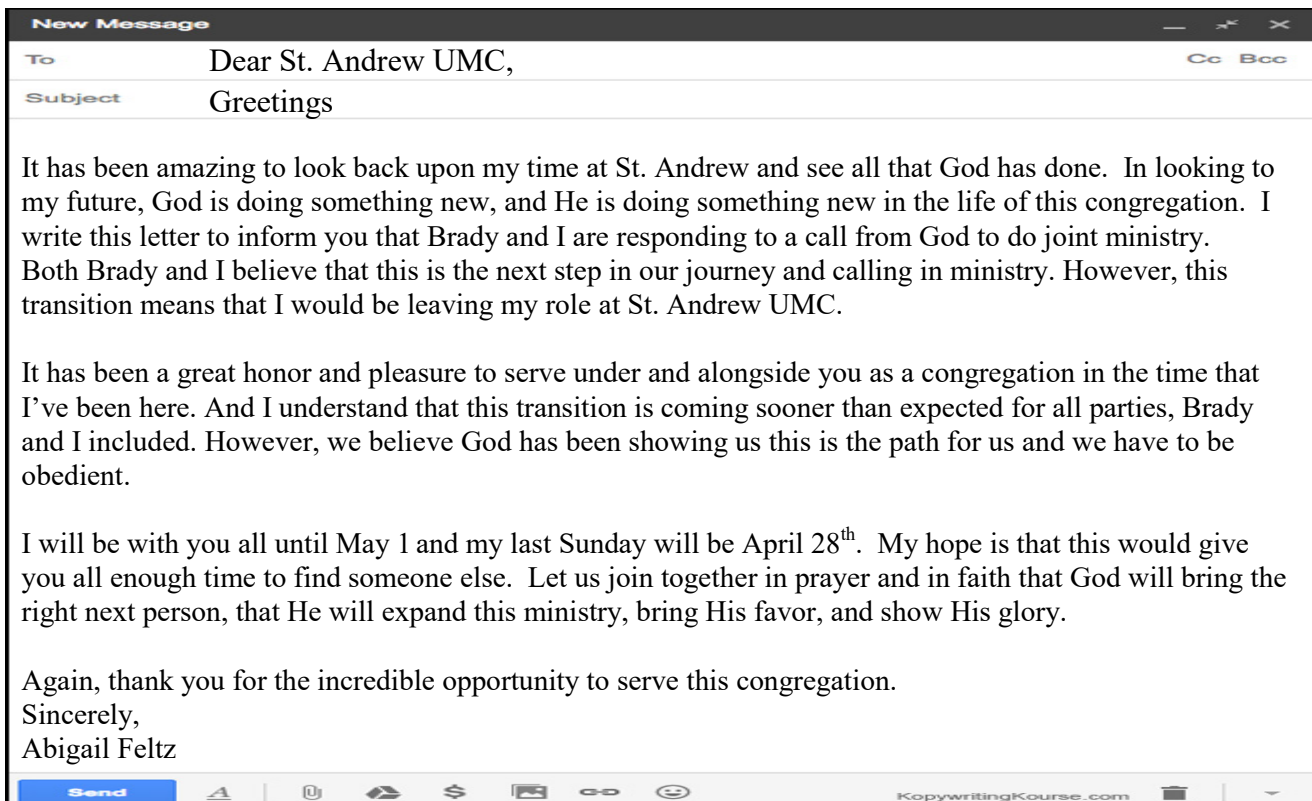
MCCI—Update (Missional Church Consultation Initiative) Giving tools for pastors and churches to be transformed to be the church for today and tomorrow through change.

At the Administrative Council meeting on April 2, Pastor Lilanthi will share her learnings from the MCCI journey and that of the MCCI Leadership team. She plans to attend another church in Napoleon, Ohio that is participating in MCCI ,on April 3rd and 4th. A group from St. Andrew will be attending a workshop for MCCI churches on Sunday, April 28th in Grove City on "Growing Generous Givers." As we seek to be all that God is calling us to be in the future, it is also important to consider our finances.

MARK THE DATE - Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m. ALL are invited to come meet Rev. Joseph Bishman for an evening of fun and learning. We will consider ways in which we reach out to our community and explore ways we can make a difference for the mission of the church. Mark you calendars and invite others to come with you. DON'T be left out.

Please remember Pastor Lilanthi in your prayers. She will be at MCCI on Tuesday, April 9th. The MCCI leadership data collection team for our church story will meet on April 23rd.

Lord open our eyes and ears to see your presence in our midst as we walk with you daily.



A reception for Abby will be held after worship on Sunday April 28.



A HUGE THANK YOU!! for the generous donation of 1,320 snacks to be used during Fairbrook testing. YOU know who you are. Thank you! Please pray for the students as they are testing.

A HUGE THANK YOU to all who helped with the Mathnasium. Not only were the students and parents appreciative but those who served were blessed too. To quote one that served...

" I was impressed by how often I was thanked by the parents and children."

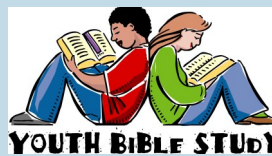
A HUGE THANK YOU to all who provided soup, salad and bread for the Teacher Appreciation lunch that was served in conjunction with the PTO.

Wednesday, May 15th is our next opportunity to connect with the children from Fairbrook. The 4th grade students will come to St. Andrew for leadership training to be on the "Blue Crew". "Blue Crew" is composed of 5th graders wanting to serve on safety patrol or as greeters. They also assist as lunch room helpers. They will be here from 8:30 a.m. - 2p.m. This is an opportunity for 7-10 people to serve as hosts when they are here to provide breakfast and be a presence when they break off to 7 small groups.

Principal Joelle Mangan will be a guest speaker in worship on Sunday, April 28 in worship. A day to celebrate our partnership and give thank to Abby for her leadership.

Youth Group Meetings April 14th & 28th

We are meeting after church for Bible Study, food and fun.



Arts Crafts & Service for Hannah's Treasure Chest Monday, April 15th 6:00 -7:30 pm Meeting in the Conference Room

We will be cutting out bear patterns, stuffing bears & sewing them up. We will also make care package stars for Hannah's Treasure Chest. INVITE FRIENDS.

S.T.A.R.S. (St. Andrew Retirees) Visit to Bicycle of America Museum (New Bremen) Cost is \$2 (All locations are handicapped accessible)

Tuesday, April 16th. Leaving church at 9:30 am.

* The museum was purchased from the Schwinn and moved from Chicago to it's current location. It features the First bicycle and you can take a "RIDE" on one of the high wheelers.

* Lunch next door at the 17 W Restaurant and then visit

* Maria Stein Shrine of holy relics. Experience the grounds reminiscent of the first Holy week.

Please make your reservation by Sunday, April 14th.

Sign-up on Bulleting Board - Brochures & Menu are available

Please contact Jeanne Hanseman 937-708-6528 or Marge Reed 937-941-9329 with additional questions.

April Birthdays

God Bless YOU

Our apologies if we missed your Birthday.

Please inform the church office to update our information

Kaitlynn Johnson	2
Jeanne Poling	5
Jeff Garrett	6
Teresa Kiger	6
Dana Ward	7
Dee Baxter	8
Sherry Converse	9
James Coe	10
Jason Michaels	10
Eric Cheney	14
Mary Lou Fox	14
Danisha Vassar	16
Marjorie Craver	17
Susan Gilbert	17
Don Fox	19
Molly Schwartz	25
Claire Christian	26
Paul Kirk	28
Sam Borszcz	29
Jim McMannama	29
Jay Lee	30
Melinda Nutter-Couch	30





HOW are you growing in Faith? Are you reading your Bible? Who are you encouraging and challenging to live as a Disciple of Christ? ALL of us would benefit from being with a group to read and study God's word. WILL YOU MAKE TIME to study God's word a priority?

APRIL MEETINGS

Weekly Meetings

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

Committee Meetings

2nd Ad. Council 7:00 p.m.

The Well
April Meals
at 5:30 p.m.

Please make reservations
by calling the
Church Office before
Noon on Monday

3rd French Dip Roast
Beef Sandwiches

10th Olive Garden

17th Pork Chops

24th Chicken & Rice
Casserole

Adult Sunday School Study 9:05 am (Conf. Room - NOTE TIME CHANGE)

Continuing the study on "Wind in the Wilderness" by DJ del Rosario.

This Lenten study considers a different prophet, compares his teaching to that of Jesus, then elucidates resemblances to similar issues in our day.

Men's Study - Confronting the Controversies By Adam Hamilton

Wednesdays 6:30 pm in room 105.

Our West Ohio Conference Bishop, Rev. Gregory Palmer is encouraging all United Methodists to engage in a 6 week study on the book of Galatians after Easter. If you are willing to be engaged in this study please sign up in the atrium indicating which day and time you are willing be involved. Studies will begin the week of April 28th. We can hold the meetings at the church or in homes.

"Wherever two or three are gathered in my name there I will be also"



Why Come to the "Well?"

The meal at the well is a time to invite not just members of the congregation but those in the community to receive a healthy home cooked meal.

Come for fellowship,

Come to get connected and stay connected.

Come to serve

Come to be fed

Come to share God's love.

INVITE friends, family and even strangers.

Update from General Conference: Please continue to pray for our Denomination. You may go the following web site for information regarding the upcoming Jurisdictional Conference which will make a ruling on if the decisions made at the special General Conference were constitutional.
<https://umc-prod-umnews.azureedge.net/-/media/UMC%20Media/2019/03/14/18/18/judicial-council-legislation-chart-umnews-march-2019>

We will have opportunity to discuss the implications of the decisions made at General Conference regarding those who are homosexual during the month of May. Watch the bulletin for more information.



The Giving Garden 2019 Renewing with Hope!

Don't you just love spring? ... The first blooms, trees budding, birds singing, the days lengthening, the earth renewing... such a great time to look forward to a bountiful summer in the Giving Garden. This will be a year for renewing the structure, re-energizing our efforts, and recommitting to the Giving Garden in many ways including:

- Replacing fencing and the soaker hose watering system
- Amending the soil for better quality vegetables
- Welcoming children from St. Paul UMC and from our community as part of our Growing Gardeners program
- Refining our crop choices to maximize the quality & quantity of vegetables we deliver to St. Paul and Beaver Creek FISH
- Improving the design of our flower garden (thanks to Bonnie Neidhart) and increasing opportunities to use our flowers to bring cheer to others
- Praying for God to teach us to open our hearts to everyone so that through us, others will know His love and hope.

Here are some upcoming dates as we plan for an exciting 2019 season.

Please mark your calendars and choose the dates when you would like to serve:

Saturday, April 27th, compost, mulch, and replace fence 9 am until we finish (pizza lunch provided)

Saturday, May 4th, seed planting day, 9 am-12pm

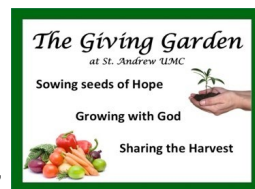
Saturday, May 11th, plant our Fostered Seedlings, 9 am-12 pm

Wednesday, June 12th, June 26th, July 10th, and July 24th

Growing Gardeners -St. Paul children, 10 am-2 pm

Monday, July 15th, Growing Gardeners-Evergreen children, 10 am-12:30 pm

Let's enter into this new season with renewed energy, a sense of wonder and hope!



HANNAH'S TREASURE CHEST

Hannah's Treasure Chest provides wonderful opportunities for intergenerational mission events! Many of us are members of small groups within St Andrew UMC. Please consider scheduling your small group for a two-hour visit to Hannah's Treasure Chest to assist with a variety of activities. You will be supporting over 6,000 children in our four-county area - truly serving as Christ's hands and feet! Feel free to reach out to Trudy Bechtolt, the volunteer coordinator, at Trudy@hannahstreasure.org and (937) 438-5039. Hannah's Treasure Chest is located at 124 Westpark Road in Centerville (not far from the Centerville High School).



Thank You all for bringing seeds, that gave us an opportunity to feed the hungry through Jackson Area Ministry (JAM) covers several counties in South Eastern Ohio in the Appalachian area. The seed program is one of the many ministries supported by JAM.



"Rebuild Dayton" seeks to create safe and healthy homes for Dayton's low income seniors in the Edgemont neighborhood on April 27.

Doug Fisher and his son Bill will be our team leaders to work on the home



(S. Euclid Av. Dayton) of Marsha (65 year old) who is caring for her 5 grandchildren since her daughter passed. We will do some painting, and work on her kitchen. PLEASE Contact Doug Fisher if you are able to work on the house. We have the opportunity to not

only build relationships with Marsha and her grandchildren but also to make their home more livable.

Thank you for all who participated in the Porch Planter & Potato Bar. We were able to make generous donation as a result of all of your hard work.

Matthew 25:35-36

³⁵ I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink; I was a stranger and you received me in your homes, ³⁶ naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you took care of me, in prison and you visited me.'

Highlighting Ministries at St. Andrew



Wesley Community Center Winter's are long for everyone but particularly so for those struggling to put food on their table. We will continue our food collection for the Wesley Center in March. The red wagon will be placed in the Atrium on Sunday, April 7th, as a reminder of our collection on Sunday, April 14th. Please support our St. Andrew outreach program by bringing food. If everyone picked up one extra can of food each time we go grocery shopping we could donate a lot of food and maybe fill Jerry's trunk to overflowing?



Martha's Closet Did you know we have a clothing closet for St. Paul? Gently used clothes we have outgrown could be just what someone needs for that job interview, or just to keep warm. How many coats do we really need? During lent consider taking up this challenge— if not 40 bags in 40 days try 40 items of clothing in 40 days?

The Wesley Center is collecting baby clothes.

Giving up can truly bless someone else.



April 13th You are encouraged to attend the **11th Annual Oasis House Tea, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at Tipp City UMC**. With outreach and programming efforts, Oasis House connects with women involved in trafficking/prostitution/exotic dancing, many of whom are homeless, sexually abused, suffer from substance abuse and legal issues including incarceration. It is a Christ centered faith-based organization that seeks to empower women on their journey to holistic healing. Mark your calendars for this important event that raises funds to support Oasis House all year long. Call Oasis House 937-898-7811 for more info.

May 1st – (sign up by April 14th) Christ UMW, Kettering have invited any of St. Andrew UMW members to their **annual 11:00 am salad luncheon**. They will need a total number of attendees by no later than Palm Sunday (April 14).

A sign-up will appear in the atrium soon or call Marcy 938-7410.

April 30 – Your help is needed to **help prepare, serve, and welcome 150 needy and/or homeless a Noon meal at St. Paul UMC**. Six to eight people will be needed from approximately **9:00 am to 2:00 pm** to accomplish this much appreciated show of our love for others. We will also need homemade cookies or bar cookies (20 dozen or so). A **sign-up sheet** will appear soon in the Atrium. Or feel free to call **Marcy at 938-7410**

Highlighting Ministries at St. Andrew



Photo Directory - Thank you to those that participated

What do I do if I couldn't come? Good news, you can come on **Sunday May 19th**.

Everyone is important for our pictorial directory to be complete. So be sure to sign up in the Atrium. We will be sending the pictures that were taken to you via e-mail. Contact information will be in the atrium for you to make final changes before the directory is printed.

If you are able to help with the directory in any way please contact the church office.

The St. Andrew Media and Communication Team is looking for people willing to help (or learn) in photography, videography, or post-production work assignments for the Church. No fancy \$2,000 camera is needed as we will accept any photo or video that is in focus and readable.

Smartphones, point and shoots, or DSLRs will suffice for these tasks.

The pictures and video materials are important to our Communication Program to present to the outside communities that our Church is small but mighty when it comes to diversity and enrichment within our fellowship projects and community service events. Our goal is to create a large enough pool of volunteers that we can share the tasks with minimal time commitments on any individual.

Contact me (Ernie Muller, zoomie1980@gmail.com or 937- 572-1367) to join the Team and indicate the areas of interest in still photography, video recordings, slideshow clips, and video presentations.

Church History and Archives - we are very grateful to Pam Wren and Edie Keast for maintaining our archives through scrapbooking. It's time to pass on the joy of recording our churches journey of faith, fellowship and fun. If you are willing to serve in this important ministry, please contact Pam Wren @ 937-422-6449 or Edie Keast @ 937-429-9142.



COMMUNITY REWARDS

Did you know that by registering your Kroger card to St. Andrew UMC the church will receive funds at no extra cost to you. Last quarter we received over \$70 with only a few people participating. It's easy - Follow these simple steps annually in April.

<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>

Create an account using your e-mail address

Then select Community rewards and search for St. Andrew UMC or organization number FV119

That's it. If you need help in registering, please contact the church office.

Please remember in your prayers: Denver Aquino, Ed Baker, Betty Bracken, Harriet Brown, Harry Couch, Gail Cox, Marjorie Craver (still in pain), Betty & Jack Darst, Julie & Stan Erk, Elda Fitzsimmons, Andrew Fox, Ruby Geist, Margaret Griffith, Diane Hutton, Mike Keast, Dorothy Kuula, Chuck Lauersdorf, Jeanne Locke, Sean McCullum, Joyce McCready, Jim McMannama, Alex Reed, Kara Sandberg, Nancy Schlicher, Ilene Shultz, Laura Smith, Zach Vann (recovering from back injury) Lewie Wiese.



REMEMBER TO PRAY THE BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER - PRAY AT 7:23 A.M. OR 7:23 P.M.

"Almighty God, we pray for the Holy Spirit to breakthrough our limits, into our hearts, and into the hearts of others. We have faith that You will give us a vision of Your miraculous possibilities and reveal to us Your path for St. Andrew United Methodist Church. Give us the courage to step out and trust You. Strengthen us and empower us to be living examples of your love and grace. Amen."



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Worship in April

Sunday April 7 - Holy Communion, Nicodemus remembers Jesus on the cross

Saturday April 13 - Easter Egg Hunt at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday April 14 - Palm Sunday one Service 10:30 - Come join the celebration.

Thursday April 18 - Maundy Thursday Service in Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Friday April 19 - Good Friday Service at Noon in the Chapel
and at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Sunday April 21 - EASTER SUNDAY 8:15 & 10:15 Services
Come celebrate the Risen Christ.

Sunday April 28 - Children & Youth Sunday with reception following for Abby.
Guest speaker Principal Joelle Mangan from Fairbrook Elementary School.

Sunday May 5 - Holy Communion, guest preacher Rev. Carla Stengel.

