

# Footprints

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Greetings to followers of the Risen Christ.

I am very grateful for the many people who helped to provide meaningful and memorable worship opportunities for Holy Week and Easter Sunday. The musicians and singers, table movers and scene setters, communion preparers, clean up crew, as well as those who purchased flowers and displayed them for Easter. So much time and preparation went into helping us remember the reason why we come to worship every Sunday. EVERY SUNDAY is resurrection Sunday. A time to remember God's Faithfulness.

God is faithful. It was with sadness that we received the news about Abby leaving. We will continue to pray for her and Brady as they begin a new chapter in their lives in the Military. The firm foundation Abby has laid for us at St. Andrew and building a bridge with our neighbors at Fairbrook is a blessing. Many parents and teachers are very grateful for the partnership and support given to the students, teachers and families. It was wonderful to have Principal Joelle Mangan come and share with us some hopes and dreams for our relationship in the future.

In a time where hatred seems to have the upper hand—it is vital that we find ways of showing and sharing love. We can make a difference by loving our neighbors as Jesus commanded us to do. We can make a difference if love ripples into kindness and caring hope and peace. For each child and each family. It is only through our love for one another that families and communities, nations and world can change.

God is Faithful...



SPRC Committee advertised for the Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry and interviewed Deb Egloff who accepted the position. We are truly blessed to have Deb join the staff at St. Andrew. She was a teacher in the Fairborn Schools, was the director for Children's ministry at Parkview UMC in Miamisburg and served as an ordained Deacon at Christ UMC in Kettering for 17 years. She comes to us from being on the District staff, to serve as our Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry beginning on Sunday May 5th.

Deb and her husband, Mark, live in Beaver Creek and she is happy to serve a church in her home community for the first time in her ministry. We are blessed to have someone with her experience and passion for Discipleship and love for children. We are also very grateful for the support we have received from the District to make it possible for Deb to serve at St. Andrew.

On a personal note, thank you to all who have called and are praying for the families who have lost loved ones in the bombings in Sri Lanka. Although no personal family members were victims, I grieve for the children who have been impacted by this act of violence. Many have lost parents and loss of limbs and many parents have lost children. Please continue to pray for peace and comfort.



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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**

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.

**HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET? Did you invite a friend to come with you?**

**FOR WHAT? A Fun evening of learning with Rev. Joseph Bishman. 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.**

**WHEN? Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m. ALL are invited. Mark you calendars and come with friends. DON'T be left out. The MCCI leadership team will present a Congregational Study to the Ad Council prior to their meeting in June so that we can discuss it and send it to the MCCI team for their understanding of St. Andrew prior to our MCCI weekend in late July or early August.**

Dear St. Andrew UMC,

The future is bright, so put on your sunglasses...

Get ready, St. Andrew UMC- God is on the move! I cannot help but think of this for both you as a church, and Brady and I. I know we both thought our time together would be longer than what it was. When God leads, it's amazing the things He can have in store. St. Andrew UMC, together we were able to come together and build a foundation for the ministry with Fairbrook and expand other ministries. The bridge between St. Andrew and Fairbrook has always been there. You all even built your church and positioned it strategically to be by Fairbrook. This school year, we just came together and showed Fairbrook that it was still there, that we love them, and that we want to support them however we can. Moving forward, as a church, you can build on that and start building one on one relationships with them by doing the one hour a week of reading with their Kindergartners and First graders, and transitioning the service club from their school to our church. I trust that God called me to serve with you all to build a foundation on the ground that was already broken. With the candidates that you all are interviewing; I know that your next "contractor" will be the right person. He/ she will be whom God has in mind to build these one on one relationships and together you can propel this ministry forward in beautiful ways.

As for Brady and I, Brady has officially been picked up for Active Duty in the United States Army as a Chaplain. This means we will likely move at the summer's end to an army base. It has certainly been a game of "hurry up and wait" but we are still finding out details of where we will be and when. I have a heavy class load this summer and will be focusing on school and the move. Brady and I have felt a call to do military ministry together for quite some time and haven't been quite sure as to what that looked like. God has faithfully shown us each step along the way and this step was a bit unexpected, but the more we learned about it the more it was clear that God has wired us both for this type of life. Thank you for your patience in learning what is next for us. We needed to announce that he was leaving Stillwater before we gave these details.

I am thankful for the time that I was able to be a part of your congregation. I have faith that God will continue to move in mighty ways in St. Andrew UMC.

Love,  
Abby



## Fairbrook News—On the Back of the Calendar

### Arts, Crafts, and Service, Sunday, May 19, 2019 from 2-4pm.

Join us as we make plant identifying markers for our Giving Garden and do a bit of work in the garden. The Giving Garden contributes to local food pantries and helps feed the hungry of our community. Meeting Place: St. Andrew UMC

St. Andrew UMC will be participating in the Avenue of Flags program to display four (4) American flags for Memorial day, Flag day, July 4th, Labor day and Veteran's day. This program is sponsored by The Greene Optimist Club, a community organization whose mission is to 'aid and encourage the development of youth to advance the well being of humankind, community life, and the world'. We welcome this opportunity to further connect with our community.



### UMW

**Saturday, May 4th West Ohio Conference on Racial Justice Mass Incarceration, 9:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Warehouse 839, Hilliard UMC.** To reserve your seat at the table, contact Sharon Wildermuth, [skwildermuth@outlook.com](mailto:skwildermuth@outlook.com) or 419-979-2275.

### Koinonia Circle

#### Mother's Day Banquet May 9th 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

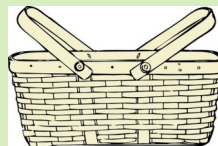
Bring a friend and join us for an evening of food, fun, laughter and fellowship.



There is a sign- up sheet in the Atrium. INVITE A FRIEND.

### STARS - May Event

**A picnic at Donna and Paul Bales' house  
1346 Chelsea Ct., Beavercreek 45434  
Thursday, May 16th 11:30 AM**



We will gather at 11:30 and eat around noon. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and lawn chairs if possible. A sign-up sheet will be in the Atrium, please include what dish you plan to bring.

The program will be for everyone to share their favorite Hymn along with some brief information about it, such as the author, some history and why it is significant and means so much to you. INVITE A FRIEND

## May Birthdays

### God Bless YOU

Our apologies if we missed your Birthday.

Please inform the church office to update our

Ed	Baker	2
Rod	Berner	3
Becky	Dihrkop	3
Donna	Kirk	4
Emily	Fox	6
Lauren	Miller	7
Emily	Duncan	11
Alia	Powell	11
Radu	Burja	11
Ruby	Geist	13
Betty	Bracken	14
Don	Hill	15
Joanne	Barnett	16
Jason	Brun	17
Julie	Vann	22
Sarah	Smith	23
Laura	Smith	24
Bonnie	Neidhart	26
Chris	Watters	26
John	Muller	27





GROW

**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?**

## MAY MEETINGS

### Weekly Meetings

- Tue. & Thu. 9:30 am Yoga
- Fridays N/A 8:15 pm
- Scouts, Girl Scout & Lego meetings on Mondays  
Tuesdays & Thursdays
- Thursday Yoga 4:15 pm
- Saturday Yoga  
9 am and 10:15 am

### Committee Meetings

May 6th Missions 7:00 pm

May 20th Finance 7:00 pm

May 21st 6:30 pm

**The Well  
May Meals  
at 5:30 p.m.**

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Brats, Hot Dogs &  
Sauerkraut**

**8<sup>th</sup> Beef Brisket  
& Chicken Tenders**

**15<sup>th</sup> Sandwich Buffet**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Hawaiian Luau**

**29<sup>th</sup> Summer BBQ**

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

The adult Sunday school class will begin a video study "A Theology of James, Peter, and Jude" by Peter H. Davids. Davids first deals with their common aspects—their shared background in the Greco-Roman world and what they meant in the context of their original cultural settings—including important theological themes and its contribution to New Testament theology.

**Men's Study** - Confronting the Controversies By Adam Hamilton  
Wednesdays 6:30 pm in room 105.

**Wednesday Night - Gospel of Luke Study** at 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

**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 Mid June after Father's day. We can hold the meetings at the church or in homes. You can participate in a daily devotion on Galatians by going to the West Ohio Conference web site.

***"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:** The material that was shared at the meeting in April is available from pastor Lilanthi.

Please ask questions BUT most of all pray and seek to understand those who have a different perspective. Disagreeing with another does not mean we stop the dialogue.



## 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, May 4<sup>th</sup>**, seed planting day, 9 am-12pm

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**, plant our Fostered Seedlings, 9 am-12 pm

**Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, June 26<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, and July 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup>**, 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](mailto: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).

### 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.



**Sew and Sow - meets on Tuesdays at 10 am**, this group of crafters meets all year long. The first few months is used to make quilts that are given to comfort people while

in illness and grief. In the past we gave quilts to our Wright State students emancipated out of the foster care program. The remaining months are to craft items for the Bazaar. While there is lots of sewing, there is also sharing and support for each other as kindness is sewn into each project and into each other. **All are welcome.**

*Matthew 25:35-36*

*<sup>35</sup> 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, <sup>36</sup> 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** Spring has sprung and the end of the school year is just around the corner. Did you know that there are a lot of families that depend on school for 2 meals a day for their children? When school is out it creates a hardship for many families. Please consider a non perishable food contribution for the Wesley Center. The red wagon will be placed in the Atrium as a reminder. 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** A huge thank you to all that brought clothing for Martha's closet. We will continue to collect items to take to St. Paul. When you pull out those spring or summer items and they just don't work for you anymore, consider passing them along to someone who could use them. You just might be gifting someone with their new favorite piece of clothing!

### **NEW HOPE UMC ( 536 Xenia Av. Dayton) Sunday, June 30**

#### **Worship at 5:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m.**

Come be the heart and hands of Jesus by joining the fellowship of believers at New Hope for worship and then serve them food. We will car pool from St. Andrew at 4:30 p.m.

How can you be part of this ministry?

1. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to work in the lives of both congregations—New Hope and St. Andrew.
  2. Donate items or money for the pulled pork dinner we will prepare for the dinner. Sign up sheets in the Atrium for both serving and donations.
  3. We feed 100 individuals and families—so come and serve the meal, and build relationships with our brothers and sisters who are at New Hope.
  4. Come and worship with the New Hope Congregation—this is an opportunity for us to be get to know members of New hope in a personal way.
  5. Donate items for the New Hope "Free Store" This is a store where the neighborhood can trade items that can be purchased with food stamps for those items that can not be purchased with food stamps. (something that most of us take for granted) Items needed:
- |                   |                     |               |                           |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Laundry detergent | cleaning products   | paper towels  | lotions                   |
| Toilet paper      | aftershave          | acne products | soap                      |
| Baby lotion       | baby wipes          | body wash     | shampoo conditioner sani- |
| tary pads         | denture cream/paste |               |                           |

Can you imagine life without these items? Opportunity for us to share the blessings we have with those in need.

The final collection date will be noon on Sunday, 30 June. We make a real difference with these donations!!

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Moad at [lynnmoad439@gmail.com](mailto:lynnmoad439@gmail.com) or [\(937\) 554-9301](tel:9375549301).

## Highlighting Ministries at St. Andrew

### Photo Directory - Make up day! May 19 from 11:30 am - 2 pm

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. The pictures that were taken previously have been sent via e-mail. If you did not receive yours, please give an email update to the office. There will be a sheet in the Atrium for final contact information corrections.

**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.

**Oak Tree Corner** - a grief support group that meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you know of a child or teen who has experienced the death of someone significant and is in need of grief support, please call (937) 285-0199, or contact Pastor Lilanthi.



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.

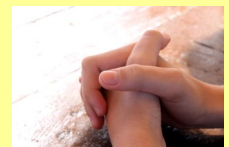
<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>

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, Andrew Fox, Ruby Geist, Margaret Griffith, Diane Hutton, Mike Keast, Chuck Lauersdorf, Jeanne Locke, Sean McCullum, Joyce McCreedy, Jim McMannama, Alex Reed, Kara Sandberg, Nancy Schlicher, Ilene Shultz, Laura Smith, Zach Vann and Lewie Wiese. Prayers of comfort for Denver Aquino's family on the death of his Father, Benjamin, Donna Kirk's family on the death of her Mother, Dorothy Kuula, and Don Fitzsimmons' family and Pam and Keith Phillips on the death of Elda. (Wife & mother)



### 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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**May 5th 8:15 & 10:15 Services**  
**Rev. Carla Stengel**

**May 12th Mother's day**  
**8:15 & 10:15 Services**  
**Rev. Dana Ward**

**May 19th 8:15 & 10:15 Services**

**May 26th Memorial Day**  
**10:30 Service**









Fairbrook



Dear St. Andrew Voters,

As many of our Beaver Creek families are aware, Beaver Creek City Schools will place two separate and equally important levies on the May 7 ballot for your consideration.

The first levy is an Operating Levy that is used to fund day-to-day operations such as transportation costs, utilities, classroom supplies, salaries. Important information about this levy is:

- 6.15 mills
- \$11.4 million generated per year
- \$215 (\$17.92 per month) for every \$100k of property valuation
- Not permanent, renewable every 5 years

The second levy is a Permanent Improvement Levy is used for capital improvement projects, maintenance and repairs of school property and certain equipment items that are designed to last five years or more. For example, these funds can purchase technology, heating and air conditioning systems, roofs or other facility upgrades. Ohio law prevents these funds from being used on staff salaries or benefits.

Information that is important to know about this levy is:

- 1.0 mills (collecting at .45 mills)
- Originally passed in 1989
- Generates approximately \$861,000 per year
- The passage of this levy will not raise your taxes

We do have Beaver Creek Schools support signs available in the office. Mrs. Mangan, Principal of Fairbrook Elementary School, would be happy to drop off a sign to your home as well. You may email her to request the sign at [Joell.Mangan@gocreek.org](mailto:Joell.Mangan@gocreek.org).

Thank you for your support!  
Principal Joell Mangan

### **Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am to 2:00 pm** **Fairbrook Students Blue Crew Training**

Blue Crew is a group of 5th grade students who serve in various capacities including safety patrol, greeters, lunch duty, etc. They are coming to use our facility on that day to go to seven different stations for training and team building. They have asked us for 7-10 servants who can supervise and welcome them with hospitality. ***Come help us love on Fairbrook students within our walls!***

**Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> Family Fun Night 5:30—8:00 p.m.** Come and help Fairbrook with their Family Fun Night by running some stations. Their hope is to eliminate the need for parent volunteers so that the families can spend time with each other at this event. They will have bounce houses and lots of other games.