

CROSS X ROADS

SEPTEMBER 2018

ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"Building upon God's Grace through Love, Obedience and Compassion."

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Mark 9:38-50

September Worship Schedule~

Sunday, September 2nd

Sunday, September 9th

Sunday, September 16th

Sunday, September 23rd

Saturday September 29th

Sunday September 30th

Communion

Blessing of the animals

Mark 7:1-8

Mark 7:24-37

Proverbs 1:20-33

Mark 9:30-37

1 PM

Mark 9: 38-50

Come Worship With Us



9:00 AM Celebration Service
&



Lectionary Bible Study
Saville's Diner
Wednesdays from
6:00-7:00 PM



**Putting It in Perspective
July 2018**

- “The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the son of God.” If you’ve been attending worship since last Advent, you recognize that phrase as the very first verse of the Gospel of Mark. When I preach from Mark, I use those words to send us forth at the end of a service. Each story that follows in Mark represents the beginning of the good news.

But, what’s the good news? Mark doesn’t give us a unique statement to spell it out. I suggest that the good news may have a different ring for one person than for another.

Let’s think of some Bible characters. Since it’s the “good news of Jesus Christ,” I’ll stick with the New Testament. For a Jewish man beaten up by thieves on his way from Jerusalem to Jericho, the good news is that the compassion of a Samaritan defied social boundaries to save the Jewish man’s life. When Jesus told that story, he was answering the question, “Who is my neighbor?”

For the woman who was healed of a gynecological problem when she touched Jesus’ garment, the good news was that she could be restored to her family, friends, and the whole community. She was no longer “unclean.”

For the crowd listening to the “Sermon on the Mount,” good news may have been confusing, or even shocking. You’re blessed if you’re meek, poor in spirit, or hungry for righteousness? “Blessed” would have been understood as having a relationship with God that God approves! That’s unexpected good news.

Get the picture? Now, translate it to your life. Was there a time when having a relationship with Jesus suddenly clicked? You may have understood his parables before, but in one particular season of your life it became personal. Your head shared Jesus with your heart. Or, maybe you learned to be assertive, rather than a door mat. Like Jesus, you can say what you need to say, while respecting the dignity of the other person. The possibilities are limited only by personality and individual experiences. “The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.” What does that mean in the story of your life?

9:00 AM Celebration Worship Service

<u>Date</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Sound Board</u>	<u>Video</u>	<u>Nursery</u>
9/2					
9/9					
9/16					
9/23					
9/30					

10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service

<u>Date</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Usher</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Sound Board</u>	<u>Video</u>	<u>Nursery</u>
9/2		Cathy Webb					
9/9		Greg Simmons					
9/16		Edie Scherer					
9/23		OPEN					
9/30		Colleen Simmons					

Contribution Counting Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Counters</u>
9/2	Lead: Rob Thomas Marion Bartman & LeRoy Moser
9/9	Lead: Steve Conroy Betty March & John Stauffer
9/16	Lead: Pat Miller Adina Warren & Tim Clancy
9/23	Lead: Jim Good Mary Ann Stauffer & Hans Scherer
9/30	Lead: Steve Conroy Adina Warren & Marion Bartman

9:00 AM

Contemporary Celebration Service

An informal service with praise and worship music, prayer and preaching. This service utilizes music to draw people into God's presence on a very personal level.

Children's Church (K-2nd Grade) dismisses after Opening Worship the second and fourth Sundays of the month. (September through May)

We also offer at this time:

- . **Crib and Pre-K Nursery Care**
- . **Adult Sunday School** (*September through May*)
Library - Henry Ziegler & Pat Miller, Leaders

10:30 AM

Traditional Service

A service that utilizes time-honored traditions to draw people into God's presence. Multiple elements, including classic hymns played on organ and piano, feed the senses of the worshippers to remind them of the love and life of Jesus during the past, present and future.

We also offer at this time:

- . **Crib Nursery Care**
- . **Pre-K Sunday School**
- . **Adult Sunday School**
Library - Jim Good, Leader
- . **Sunday School Classes**
K-6th Grade - Fellowship Hall
Junior & Senior High - Fellowship Hall Youth Room

Children's Moments

Friends, the nursery at church needs your help!

Having a nursery not only benefits the small children of the church have a place to go during service and be watched, it also allows our families with those children the time to spend an hour with God and reconnect and be spiritually met. This is a huge need for a lot of families with young children in our church and others.

I am asking you all for help. Staffing for this area of ministry is something our young families need. All it will take is roughly an hour to an hour and a half, one Sunday morning every few weeks during the 9 am and or the 10:30 am service to allow our church members with small children a break to worship our Great God.

If we have a pool of people willing to help we all can still have our needs met by Sunday worship while also helping the needs of others in our church family. If everybody does a little no one has to do a lot.

If this is something you can do, that is amazing and please let me know. If this is maybe not the age group you are suited for, that is okay too, but if you know of anyone who would be able to help out please pass the word along, and continue to advocate for our young families that we may be able to meet a need of theirs.

Friends thank you for any help that you can offer, and prayers you can pray, any time you can spend serving our church family. We all can help serve a great need for our church family in a very easy way.

Any questions, comments, etc. please feel free to contact me at any time at;
Andrew@saintandrewumc.org

Sunday School

School is back in session which means the start of Sunday School is just around the corner. This fall the children of St. Andrew will begin Sunday school on September 9th. Over the next few months the children ages pre-k to 5th grade will be following the Holy Moly series from Cokesbury. This series begins with Abraham and goes all the way through the life and death of Jesus, to the work his disciples did following the Resurrection.

Friends, our children are in need of your help though. We need more leaders to teach and learn with our children. We have a small group of dedicated helpers, but they can only do so much. If everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot. We all can share in the joy of watching our children here at St. Andrew grow into a loving and heartfelt relationship with Jesus.

All it would take is one hour a Sunday every few weeks. The curriculum is easy to follow and requires little to no prep. Please take time to pray about this ministry and opportunity to help out. As someone who has been a part of children's ministry for 20 years as a student and a leader, I find that I learn a whole lot more for the children when I work with them and teach them, than I ever expected.

Again, please think and pray about this, our children's ministry is a great ministry and serves a wonderful need. At the heart of it, we teach our children about Jesus. How awesome is that. Would you be a part of that?

If you have any questions please contact Andrew Tait at Andrew@saintandrewumc.org



Help Raise Money for Missions and Children's Ministry Programs!

Purchase "Cash for Causes" Giant Supermarket gift cards the 1st and 2nd weeks of the month in the Welcome Center. The cards will be given to you later that month for the same value of your purchase price. It doesn't cost you anything extra and "Cash for Causes" gives St. Andrew 5% of your total purchase price!!! *Payment is due at sign up.*

Our Cash for Causes Giant Gift Card Program has been doing great! Thank you to everyone who has participated. We will be continuing the program with a more challenging goal...Let's shoot for \$1,000.00 for the Youth & Adult Missions and Children's Ministry Programs. With everyone's help, We can make it! Look for the goal poster in the Welcome Center. Let's start buying those cards! Remember, they're good for groceries, prescriptions and even gas! They make great gifts, are available in denominations starting at \$10 and we get a 5% discount on every dollar in gift cards that we purchase.

In the month of June we raised \$ for our Missions and Children's Ministries!
Thank you! Questions? Please contact Phyllis Conroy

ALTAR FLOWERS

Arrangements are \$20.00 if you would like to be a sponsor.

Sept 2nd: Open
Sept: 9th: Open
Sept: 16th In Memory of Claude Hockman
Sept: 23rd In Memory of Patrica Kellman
Sept 30th: Open

Yarn Spinners:

Welcome back to our first fall meeting on September 20th , 12noon in the all purpose room
Bring your bag lunch and we will catch up on all our summer news and any projects you

may have done. Please bring made items to the meeting. September 30th will be our annual Blessing of Prayer Shawls and other items we have made. ANYONE in the church family who would like to bring something they have made for an individual may do so. Looking forward to seeing you.

Marilyn



FREE Community Meal Saturday, September 15, 2018, in the Fellowship Hall at Noon.

If interested in helping, please contact Chris Clee at 610.369.1888.



Please call the church office when:

- A new baby arrives in your family
- Your home phone or cell number has changed
- Your email address has changed
- Your address has changed
 - Prayer Requests



If you are visiting our cemetery and notice a flag that needs to be replaced, please contact Bill Evens

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Bring your pet to a special worship service, Blessing of the
Animals! We'll celebrate here at St. Andrew,

Saturday, September 29, at 1:00 PM.





We are in need of one or several people to take over our Children's Church ministry! Every second and fourth Sunday during the 9:00 service we offer this ministry for our kids grades Kindergarten-2nd. No need for you to come up with the lessons-we have a curriculum resource for you to use! If you are interested in this, or in helping with any other part of our Children's Ministry please contact
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St Andrew United Methodist
Church
Treasurers Report
July 31, 2018

	Y-T-D 2018	July 2018	July 2017
Funds Received *	129,640.90	20,887.90	21,622.52
Bills Paid	111,017.44		
Open Bills	<u>6,954.53</u>		
Total Bills	<u>117,971.97</u>		
Net Increase(Decrease) in Funds	11,668.93		
Other Collections that do not effect the budgeted expenses			
Improvements	2,510.00		
Special Offerings	300.00		
Memorials	0.00		
Sunday School	0.00		

* The funds received includes Current offerings, Church plate and other income used to pay budgeted expenses.