

Sunday School Classes

There are Sunday School classes for all ages at 10:00 a.m. Age appropriate lessons and crafts are planned for the pre-school and elementary age children as well as thought provoking topics and discussions for youth and adults. Adult classes include:

Christian Issues... This class meets in Adult #2 in the Education wing of the church at 10:00 a.m. They focus on current issues and how they affect our Christian lives. The topic for today is *Clean Water for All*. Millions of people around the world lack access to clean water. What issues are related to the need for clean water? How does Christian faith guide the decisions we make regarding water?

Young Career Age... This Sunday morning group's mission is "To Know God, To Connect with Others, and To Give of Ourselves," with the primary mission that of Knowing God. The Young Adult class is using the Faithlink study source for their discussions each week. It focuses on current issues and how they affect our Christian lives. The Young Adult class meets in The Intersection.

Know and Grow... The Know-and-Grow class will continue their study of the Parable of the Prodigal Son and its applications to our lives today, by turning attention to the "other" son in the parable:

the one who was physically "home" but whose heart was in the "distant country". We can go through the motions of Christian living, but our hearts may be far from God. What are the root causes of resentment? How does resentment take us into a distant country where we lose fellowship with God and with our "sister and brother"? Please join us for a lively discussion at 10:00 a.m. in Adult Classroom I.

Lenten Contemplative Bible Study... You are invited to participate in a Lenten Contemplative Bible Study during the Sunday school hour in the Prayer Room. A lot of Bible study is conducted to inform us about the Bible. We have come to know a lot about the Bible, but we can miss hearing God speak to us through the readings. Come join us for five weeks and be introduced to an ancient spiritual practice. Learn a little of its history, experience it with others, and then take it home and use it to deepen your connection and communication with God. Margie Sharples can answer any questions you have about the study.

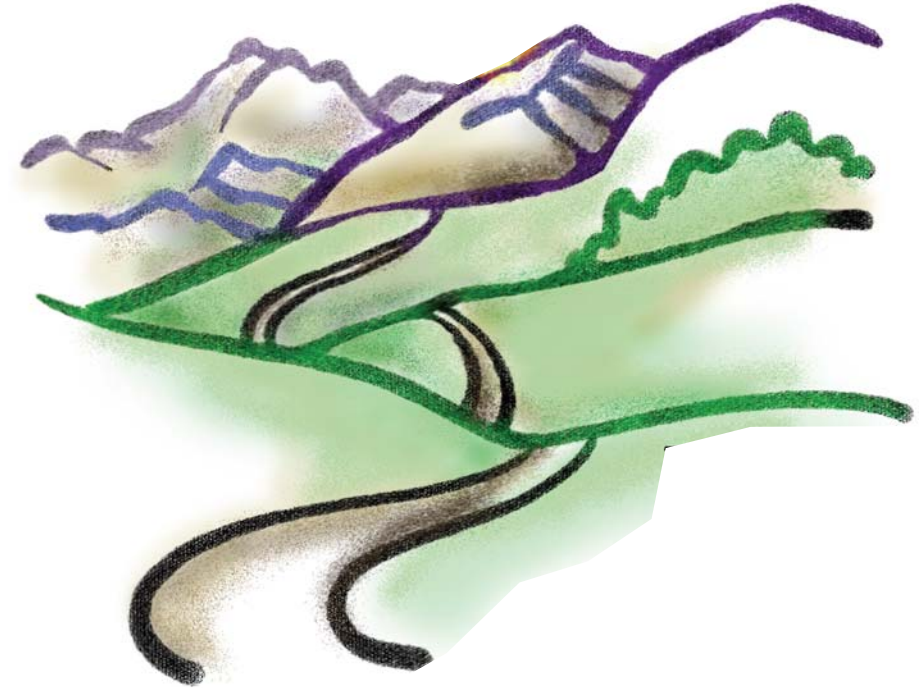
Prayer Focus for the week—Our school teachers and administrators

The staff member to remember in prayers this week is Laurie Klenosky, InTouch Coordinator. The church ministry focus is the Trustees Work Area and the chair of that work area, Tom Paczolt.

Our thanks to those who helped guide us in worship today:

Pastor	Rev. Tim Burchill	Bearer of the Word	Larry Biehl
Worship Leader	Bob Sorensen	Bearer of the Light	Donna Biehl
Chancel Choir Director	Ben Waltz	Communion Stewards	Bob Sorensen
Organist	LuAnn Boggess		Randy Kraft
Ushers	Larry & Donna Biehl		Mike & Becky Bolin
	Dick & Helen Hayden		Jeremy & Jenna Kellar

Making the Journey with Jesus



At St. Andrew,
God has called us together to become like Jesus
in authentic community for the sake of the world.

March 7, 2010
4703 N 50 W, West Lafayette, IN 47906
765-497-7755

St. Andrew United Methodist Church

8:45 Worship Nursery provided

Hearing assisted devices are available in the back of the Great Room.

Please ask an usher for assistance.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Gathering Music

Chimes

Greeting and Announcements

Please fill out the black folders and pass along your row.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with you.

Praise the Lord!

Prelude

Gaelic Folk Melody

arr. by A. Giamanco

The Candles Represent the Light of the World

** Processional Hymn

All Glory, Laud and Honor

No. 280

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD

Collect

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open, all desires known,

and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you, and glorify your holy name,

through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**Denotes congregation standing. Those who find standing difficult may remain seated.

United Methodist Women

St. Andrew's unit of the United Methodist Women will meet Tuesday evening, March 9, at 7:00 p.m., in the conference room. Helen Hayden is in charge of the "Service Project". This will involve preparing for mailing the shawls and baby blankets that members have made to be sent to the UMW National Assembly 2010 for a mission project. We invite all interested women to join us. For more information contact Helen Hayden 463-6587 or Mary Satterly 463-5374.

Men Claim Their Ministry

The men of St. Andrew are planning to meet on March 13 at 9:00 a.m. at the church. They will be announcing their leadership group and also seeking input from those attending on tasks at church and in our community in which the Men's Group can be involved. In essence, it will be a brainstorming session. Please come and be a part of this new fellowship.

Echoes of the Gospel

Panther in the Sky, by James Alexander Thom was described by the Indianapolis Star as "A spellbinding novel about the life of Tecumseh...The book is almost epic in its scope...Thom has carefully researched his facts. He has the care of a historian to go with the skills of the seasoned novelist." The St. Andrew Book Group will be talking about *Panther in the Sky* on Sunday, March 7, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Adult I at church.

Please join us. We are an informal group with coffee and snack... it is a good place to relax, while sharing ideas. We named ourselves "Echoes of the Gospel" because we talk about books applying the lens of our faith and our understanding of the lessons we learn from the Bible. You can just "drop in" when you have the time. Some read every book and come to every session (we have six to eight meetings each year), and others attend just when the chosen book is of special interest. You are always welcome to enjoy the conversations whether you have read the book or not. This is a good way to get to know others at St. Andrew.

Lilies for Easter

Inserts are available in today's bulletin to enable you to purchase lilies for our Easter Sunday celebration. The deadline for ordering is March 21, and the plants may be taken home following the 11:00 service on April 4.

Three Services on Easter

In order to accommodate those who come on Easter morning, St. Andrew will have three morning worship services, all at special times. Remember to mark your calendars so that you won't miss out on a thing. The services will be at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. All services will feature special music and instrumentation with communion at the 8:00 a.m. service. These special times will be on Easter Sunday only.

Coffee in The Commons

You are encouraged to come and enjoy fellowship along with coffee, tea, or juice, and donuts. Coffee in The Commons begins about 9:45 and continues through 11:00. Visiting with your church family and new friends is a great way to start your week.

One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS), Sunday, March 14

Today, what is known throughout the United Methodist Church as UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), is the remarkable agency of our church which had its origin 70 years ago at a meeting of the General Conference of the Methodist Church. There, retired Bishop Herbert Welch, in view of the horrific violence of World War II, called for the formation of an agency to respond to the vast needs of human suffering worldwide, and to act as a “voice of conscience among Methodists.” That was the beginning of UMCOR.

Throughout the United Methodist Church once each year, “The One Great Hour of Sharing” is celebrated to focus on the ministry of UMCOR. This special hour is essential to the United Methodist Committee on Relief in carrying out its mission to alleviate human suffering throughout the world—at home and abroad. Gifts to this offering underwrite UMCOR’s “cost of doing business.” That helps UMCOR keep its promise that 100% of every gift you make to a specific UMCOR project can be spent on that project, not on administrative costs.

March 14, is the designated date for this year’s One Great Hour of Sharing, the major UMCOR offering opportunity during the year. Please join other Christians following in the footsteps of those who have given more than \$600 million in the past 70 years to One Great Hour. Make a “sacrificial offering” to help those who are hungry, poor, refugees and displaced, or victims of war, earthquakes and other disasters.



CareNotes Card Making – Monday, March 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Intersection

Please join us for our next card making session. InTouch will send these cards to those who need the loving touch of a caring note. **Everyone is welcome.** All the supplies and instruction needed will be available for you. What a great way to give back and have fun at the same time. Please prayerfully consider helping make these beautiful cards.

Walk to Jerusalem – Keep on Walking! Over 3,100 miles in the first 2 weeks!!!

(approximately 3,100 miles left to go!) Please join us as we continue our virtual walk. You can start this program at any time. Just look for NEW tally sheets at the Welcome Center each week – there’s a kid’s version and a different version for adults. Current tally sheets are also available on the St. Andrew website at www.andrew-umc.org. Look for new specials and a new devotional each week. Please turn in your completed tally sheets from the previous week to the basket by the Walk to Jerusalem display located just outside the office. Even if you turn your forms in late, please turn them in so that we can make all your miles count!

Presentation of Ourselves, Our Tithes, and Our Offerings

Please sign and pass the black folders

Offertory

Is this the King?

Chancel Choir

(Please stand when the ushers pass your row as the offering is brought forward.)

** **Doxology**

No. 95

** **Prayer of Dedication**

Children’s Worship/Joyful Sound

Children ages 3 yrs.—5th Grade are invited to leave the Great Room for Joyful Sound rehearsal during the musical interlude. When the rehearsal concludes, children 2nd—5th grade will be brought back to the service to worship with their families. Children ages 3 yrs.—1st grade will be taken to Children’s Worship.

** **Gospel Lesson**

John 1:29-42

Leader: This is the word of God.

(Pg.1647 in the worship Bibles)

Response: Thanks be to God.

Spoken Word

Rev. Tim Burchill

And The Winner For Best Supporting Disciple Goes To...

I am no longer my own, but yours, O God. Put me to what you will, rank me with who you will; let me be blessed by your hand, let me suffer for your sake; Let me be used by you or laid aside by you—exalted for you, or brought low for you; Let me be full, let me be empty; let me have all things, let me have nothing; Give me your praises, let the glory be yours alone; I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to you. Glorious and blessed God—I am yours and you are mine. May the promise made now on earth be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Invitation

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us take a moment and confess our sin before God and one another in silence.

Silent Confession

Hear the good news:

Because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in our transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved! Through Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

The Peace: Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...

...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

...Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Sacrament of Communion

The Altar rail is open for prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

** **Hymn of Commitment**

I Am Thine, O Lord

No. 419

** **Benediction**

Benediction Response

*I Am Thine, O Lord
(Refrain)*

Congregation

Postlude

WE DEPART TO SERVE

Welcome

We warmly welcome our visitors who are worshipping with us today. Our worship is more complete because you are here. We pray that your time with St. Andrew has blessed you and that you will return to worship with us again. If there is anything you might need, please ask an usher. Also, make your presence known to us by filling in the registration pad as it is passed during the offertory.

For Our Guests

If you are a guest with us today, you are invited to receive a Welcome Packet from a greeter or at the Welcome Center, if you have not received one already. In The Commons, there is a gift for each guest family from our Front Porch Ministry. Please stop at the Welcome Center after the service to pick up your gift, and you can drop off the completed visitor card that you will find in the Welcome Packet. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

Worship Services at St. Andrew

At St. Andrew, we are pleased to offer two worship opportunities. Our 8:45 a.m. service on Sunday provides a blend of the great hymns and traditions of the faith along with an informal attitude of caring and warmth. The praise worship at 11 a.m. relies on contemporary praise music, dramatic vignettes, and relational preaching. It's our hope that you will find in one of these services inspiring worship that will help connect you to the living God.