

ANNOUNCEMENTS 12/24/17

**I WILL SUPPORT THE CHURCH
WITH MY PRAYERS & PRESENCE
December 17, 2017**

The Mission of St. Andrew

To be a source of hope to the world
by sharing God's love,
growing in faith, and serving others
in the name of Jesus.

**Sunday School 56
Worship Services 155**



The Prayer Pillow being carried to the altar today represents the **466** pillows and throws made so far for those going through a struggle in their lives and for all members of St. Andrew United Methodist Church in need of prayer.

**CHAPEL LAMP, SANCTUARY LAMP AND
ALTAR FLOWER CALENDARS** for 2018 are on
the bulletin board across from room 206.



The Mission Outreach Team is collecting good used or new warm clothing for our neighbors in need from now until January! A collection box is in the overflow area and all types of warm clothing including shoes will be appreciated. Please see Lois Downey if you have any questions! Last year our church collected over 200 articles of warm clothing which were distributed in St. Albans.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

Monday, December 25
Monday, January 1

The sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of Wilma Houchins Hall.

The chapel lamp is lit by the congregation.

Nursery – for infants through Pre-K

Pew Cushions – Individual pew cushions are available from the ushers.

Children's Worship Bags are in the box at the back of the sanctuary for children to use during worship. Please return them to the box when leaving. Enjoy!



Today – **6:00 pm**
Christmas Eve Worship
Sunday, December 31 – 11:00 am
One Worship Service
Sunday, December 31 – 7:00 pm
The Gospel Harmony Boys



St. Andrew will have their Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 pm. This is always a special service for our families. A nursery will be provided to age four. Invite your friends and family!

A COPY OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ON 12-5-17 AND A COPY OF THE 2018 CHURCH BUDGET is on the bulletin board across from the Prayer Room. Copies are also available in the church office.

THANK YOU – We would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to **Karen Woodrum** for typing and printing the programs for our Christmas program, **Lynn Franklin** for very last-minute costume alterations, and to **Mary Baker** for being a very important set of helping hands on the night of our program. The children presented a wonderful Christmas story!

Pam & Andrea
Preschool Staff

CHURCH OFFICE VOLUNTEERS – Sheila Radochio will be in the office on Tuesday, Dec. 26. No one will be in the office on Wednesday or Thursday. Kathy Jordan will be in the office on Friday morning and Bonnie Sturgeon will be in the office in the afternoon. Thank you to the volunteers!!

CORRECT ADDRESS – The address listed in the bulletin last week for Dorothy Varner was incorrect. The correct address is:

Mrs. Dorothy Varner
c/o Debbie Kolarik
118 Castaway Trail
 Mooresville, NC 28117

IT'S TAX TIME! – If you want your contributions credited for the year 2017, they must be in the church office or postmarked by December 31. Thank you!

AMAZON SMILE FOUNDATION FOR CHRIST'S KITCHEN – If you purchase from Amazon, please use the link <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-4588954>. Christ's Kitchen will receive a donation for 0.5% of the subsequent purchase at Amazon at no cost to the customer or to Christ's Kitchen.

ST. ANDREW PRESCHOOL has openings for 2, 3, and 4-year-old preschool classes beginning January 2018. Call the church office for more information (304-727-7114).

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL for Preschool, Grades K-5, and Advent 101 classes on Sunday, December 31.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING – If you would like to give to the Christmas Offering, you can find a Christmas offering envelope on the table in the narthex. All money will go to Christ's Kitchen.

PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR A STRUGGLING FAMILY – Right now the furnace is broken (an unsafe heater and an open oven are used). Her van got hit and it has been hard to find another (insurance has paid for a temporary rental). She had to lock up her food because some relatives were stealing food from her and the many children for whom she cares. Please remember this family in your prayers.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
9:45 a.m. Advent 101 - Parlor
11:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Candlelight Service – Sanc.

**MONDAY
MERRY CHRISTMAS!!**

TUESDAY

8:00 p.m. AA - Annex

**SUNDAY
NEW YEAR'S EVE**

No Sunday School for Preschool, Grades K-5 and Advent 101
11:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Gospel Harmony Boys – Sanc.

