

The flowers are placed in the church for the glory of God,

The sanctuary lamp is lit for the glory of God, and in honor of the Phyllis Asher Fellowship, given by Emma Ellis.

The chapel lamp is lit for the glory of God.

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!

The Prayer Pillow being carried to the altar today represents the **506** 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.



Thank you so much for your cards, phone calls, food, concerns & prayers. Everything is so appreciated!

Love, Carol Huffman



Preschool will be selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts March 4 – March 18. The original glazed dozen for this fundraiser will be \$10.00 Order forms are on the narthex table and in the church office. Please bring your order money to the office. The doughnuts will be delivered March 21 and available for pick up in the Wesley classroom.



I have not been able to send out the Mid-Week Update for the last two Wednesday’s due to internet issues. If you would like a copy, call me at 304-727-7114, ext. 1 and I will make sure you receive one. Thanks! Pam



Wonderful Wednesday Meals

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall.
There will not be a charge at the door, but donation baskets will be available on each table. These donations will be used to offset the cost of the meal with proceeds going toward a chosen cause.

Reservations are no longer required – just come and join us in Friendship Hall!

Wonderful Wednesday cooks are needed for the following dates: March 27, April 10, April 24, May 1, May 15, and May 22. If you would like to prepare the meal for any of these dates, the sign-up sheet is in the overflow.



WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY MEAL
March 20

The Wonderful Wednesday meal for March 20 will be Pizza, Salad, Desserts & drinks. The cause will be LOGOS.

The **March 13** Wonderful Wednesday meal was prepared by the Women, and proceeds went to the UMW.

LOGOS

Volunteers are needed to work with the LOGOS program. If you are interested in enriching the lives of the children who participate in LOGOS, please contact Susan Danford at 304-376-2871

Church Wide Lenten Service Project

Adopt a Bushel, Feed a Nation

40-Day Challenge, \$806 Fundraising Challenge to benefit the Society of St. Andrew ~ endhunger.org

See the display in the overflow.

This Lenten Service Project will run from March 6 - April 21 and is sponsored by the Children's Worship kids.

PHYLLIS ASHER FELLOWSHIP

The visit by Mrs. Phyllis Asher, missionary and namesake for the Phyllis Asher Fellowship of St. Andrew is fast approaching on March 22-25, 2019. If you would like to help decorate Friendship Hall Saturday, March 23, we are starting at 1:00 p.m. If you would like to help serve or clean-up after the luncheon, please contact Roxanne Dilley at 304-881-9297.

The SEEDS OF HOPE booklet that Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball shared with the Clergy and Laity of the West Virginia Conference on the Way Forward can be found on the Conference website at www.wvumc.org. Click on the banner that says A Way Forward: General Conference 2019.

On March 28 Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball will hold a meeting with the Laity of the District to discuss the Special Session at General Conference at St. Marks UMC from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

SNAP NEWS

The date for the Family Appreciation and Talent Show this spring has been moved to Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. Instead of dinner, light refreshments will be served, and the Talent Show will be definitely be the best ever!

We will be sending out invitations, and if families could provide us with a guest list we will make sure everyone is personally invited! This year we will be having active participation and loving support from several community personalities – so much fun!!

SAVE THE DATE – May 9, 2019

**Community Health Meetings to Be Held at Kings River Church
777 Malory Lane, St. Albans**

Kings River is facilitating 4 seminars and workshops on Monday evenings, beginning Monday, March 18 at 6:00 p.m. The seminars are open to everyone in the community. Schedule as follows:

March 18 – Taking the Madness out of Medicare

March 25 – seeing through the eyes of Dementia

April 1 – What happens when life happens

April 8 – Faith in Action Volunteer Training



Easter Lilies

If you would like to place an Easter lily in the church on Easter Sunday in honor or memory of a friend or loved one, fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Cost of the lilies is \$11 each. We ask that you pay at the time you place your order. **Last day to order will be Thursday, April 11 by 2:30 p.m.**

YOUR NAME _____

(please print)

IN HONOR OF _____

(please print)

IN MEMORY OF _____

(please print)

Total number of lilies you are ordering:

New Parsonage for St Andrew

It is the responsibility of the Trustee Group to have and maintain a parsonage for the church. The Trustees are in the process of locating a new parsonage. There was a fire in the old Reeves Street parsonage. Insurance funds were received from the insurance company after the fire. At that time the Trustees did not want to undertake the massive job of repairing or renovating the structure to livable mandated standards and decided to sell the Parsonage. Since our current pastor has his own housing, we put all the money from the insurance and sale of the parsonage into a designated account in the bank to eventually be used to purchase a parsonage. All the monies from the insurance and sale can only be used to purchase a new parsonage and its mandated upgrades. These monies that we have in savings give us a good start toward the purchase of a parsonage. The time to find a parsonage is here. We must locate housing that would be appropriate for the pastoral family that might have special needs along with trying to live within our means. Over the past two months we have investigated a number of houses that might fit our needs. We are still looking. We have enlisted the help of a realtor. We have heard from some church members about possible locations. To all those who have supplied leads, thank you. Please let us know of any property that might work for us.

One of the primary things that we must consider is the handicap accessible into the house as well as access to a bed room(s) and bathroom(s) along with other areas of the home where the family would gather. Requirement is that if the house that is selected **does not** meet these guide lines, then a comprehensive plan to retrofit the house has to be in place along with adequate funding to finance the project(s). The house along with the proposed changes has to be approved by the Trustee's then to Church Council on to the Church at large. Once this has been accomplished the plan must be presented to the district for approval. Till all these hurdles have been met we cannot purchase any house to be the parsonage for St Andrew.

Some of the other issues we have to consider are location within the city. It was decided that we would stay inside of St Albans city limits. Other items we have to take into consideration are: the area in St. Albans the house is located, crime rate for that area, what schools would the children attend, proximity to the Church from the proposed parsonage, age of the house, roofing, age of the heating plant, alterations that would have to be made to meet the mandates, age or replacement of any appliance, size and number of bed rooms and the size and number of bathrooms, size of the lawn, ease of maintenance of the lawn and house, what parking is there, garage, car port or other off-street parking. This is a partial list that goes into the selection of a parsonage.

We certainly hope that we can meet the deadline well before the last week of June and have a house in place so our new pastoral family can move in as soon as they arrive in St Albans. There are other options if we do not find the house we need. It could be a short-term rental of a townhouse or condo or apartment. Not something we want to do. We will, if that is the only option at the time. The house we provide must meet the needs of our new pastoral family. It also has to meet the needs of future families. This cannot be a short-term purchase to just get us over the hump. As with any home purchase it is viewed as a long-term purchase.