ST. ANDREW'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH

St. Andrew's and the Smithtown Emergency Food Pantry will provide local families with a complete Thanksgiving dinner. You can help by "adopting a family" & filling a pantry-provided box with all the fixings for a traditional holiday meal.

The Pantry will supply the turkey — we're asking parishioners to fill the box with:

- **4 cans vegetables**
- **2 cans cranberry sauce**
- **1 large can yams (or 2 small)**
- **1 juice (64 oz) or juice boxes**
- **Cake, brownie, or cookie mix**
- **1 box instant potatoes**
- **2 boxes Stove Top stuffing**
- **3 cans fruit**
- **2 turkey gravy**
- **Muffin mix**

Please include a few "extras" such as candy, hot chocolate, marshmallows, cookies, icing, applesauce, or shelf-stable milk. No fresh fruit or vegetables. Feel free to decorate your box and include a prayer or note of encouragement.

Boxes will be available in the church narthex and are due back to the church or directly to the Food Pantry by Tuesday, November 18.

Please use packing tape on the bottom of the box to keep it sturdy.

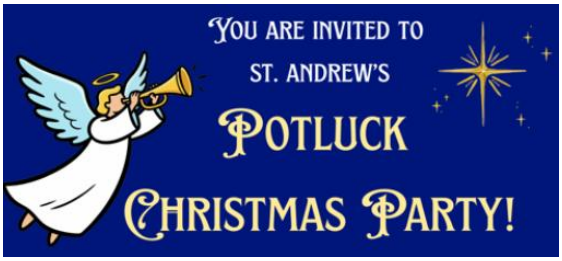
<u>Thanksgiving Box Distribution Days**</u>**

- **Saturday, November 22**
- **Monday, November 24**
- **Tuesday, November 25**

****We are looking for volunteers to assist with distribution on any of these days between 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.**

For questions, contact Dorothy Graf at 631-682-4023 or the Smithtown Food Pantry at 631-265-7676

The Christmas Story: Told by all of Us December 14th



You are invited to **St. Andrew's Potluck Christmas Party** on Saturday, **December 6th**, 6 to 9 in the parish hall. Please bring a dish to share (main, appetizer, or dessert). As usual. racks and sternos will be set up for hot items. Sign up in the narthex so we have an idea of how many are coming. If you don't cook or it's last minute, please come anyway—we always have plenty of food! For more info, contact Laura Kostecki 631-848-1762.

Poinsettia Plant Sale
Beautify our altar for Christmas
$20.00, Payment due by Dec 21st
Order forms in the narthex

Christmas Eve Worship
10am and 10pm
Christmas Day
Worship 10am

Christmas Blessing Totes for New Hour Women and Children

This Advent, we are sharing Christmas blessings with the children of ***New Hour Women and Children of Long Island***, which supports mothers as they rebuild their lives during and after incarceration. These tote bags will be given directly to the moms, so that **they are the ones who get to give their child a Christmas gift**—restoring dignity, connection, and joy.After worship, please pick up a Christmas Blessing Tote in the narthex. Each tote is labeled with a child's age and gender, along with simple instructions and suggested gift ideas. Fill the tote with age-appropriate toys, books, pajamas, and small treats, and return it to the church entry. Thank you for helping us shine Christ's love and restore hope for families this Christmas.

Donate online to the dedicated Altar Flowers Fund or contact the church office (631) 265-2288 or email *admin@standrewsofsmithtown.org*
One week: $49, One month: $199.

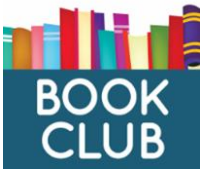
Bible Study
Monday, November 17, 7:00 pm at the church office or zoom,
Meeting ID: 865 0475 5804
Passcode: 871330

Changemaker
YOUTH IN MISSION
Nov 21st at 7:00pm

This program is for all Youth interested in community service and mission projects. Invite your friends! Jr. Changemakers: 6th-8th grade
Sr. Changemakers: 9th-12th grade.

Knitting Together/Crafting Group

Join us Thursday, Dec 4th, 1 to 3pm in the Parish Hall Footprints room. If you would like to craft in a community setting, please drop in to work alongside others for fun and socializing. You may bring your own project (e.g. knitting, crochet, watercolor, or whatever!) OR help us make this year's Lights of Love ornaments. All are welcome!



DATE CHANGE
St. Andrew's Book Club

St. Andrew's Book Club will meet on zoom at 7:00 pm, Wednesday, November 19th to discuss Clear by Carys Davies
This novel is set in Scotland in a time of upheaval, when the rural poor were driven from their homes by landowners. An impoverished minister is sent to evict a man from his land, but suddenly requires the other man's aid.

Outreach efforts serving our neighbors experiencing food insecurity and homelessness. **Donations needed: 2 large boxes of mixed chips, trays of ziti, large packages of cookies, extra-large jars of pasta sauce (64oz).**Drop off at office Monday-Friday, 9-1 pm.
NEXT SOUP KITCHEN DAY IS SATURDAY, NOV 22
If you are available and interested in serving, please text Pastor Jean (631)332-6026

CONFIRMATION CLASS
Sunday, December 7th
Immediately after worship.

We need non-perishable food items.
Your generosity helps feed our neighbors in need.
Please bring donations with you to worship