HEARTBEAT NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING WORSHIP

MAY 5 - 6th Sunday after Easter

Baptism & Confirmation Sunday

Taize Service @ 7:00pm

MAY 12 - 7th Sunday after Easter
Mother's Day

MAY 19 - Pentecost (Bilingual Service)
New Members Sunday

MAY 26 - Trinity Sunday

UCC Mental Health Sunday



EASTER SEASON & BEYOND

Worship in May is a month of special worship services!

Sunday, May 5 is Confirmation Sunday!

It really will be a big day in the life of our congregation as our confirmands are not only confirmed, but as they will also be presenting their statements of faith that they have written. Also, one of our confirmands, Wilson Kone, be baptized that day too! Come and support our youth! ...(cont'd on page 2)

EASTER SEASON & BEYOND cont'd.



And then on the evening of **Sunday, May 5**, come back for our **Taizé** service, a different worship experience that will include candle lighting, prayers, song, and silence.

Sunday, May 12 is Mother's Day, and in honor of moms, we will be collecting items to give to St. Mams (St. Matthews) area ministry as they support families in need. (see the list of items needed on page 5 in this newsletter)

Sunday, May 19 is Pentecost Sunday and Reception of New Members Day too! Everyone is invited to wear red, orange, or yellow - the colors of the flames of the spirit that descended on the people on this day so long ago. It is a day of celebration with bold colors and celebratory music! This day will be extraordinary because our own Cristal Encarnacion will translate the service in Spanish for her visiting family so that all of us can have a bilingual experience too!

Sunday, May 26 will be a joint service with MCCL followed by a picnic on our front lawn. It is Mental Health Sunday, Trinity Sunday, and Memorial Day Weekend! We will be celebrating Trinity Sunday, and Memorial Day in our liturgy, as well as acknowledging all the ways our churches support and affirm people living with mental health issues. Look out for the <u>Picnic Sign-Up Sheet</u> on the Welcome Table in the Gathering Area.

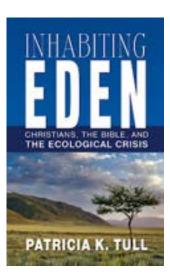
And a look ahead for worship! In June we are going to do a worship series on favorite hymns!

UPCOMING EVENTS

"Inhabiting Eden" Book Study

MONDAYS, MAY 5 & 13 **7PM IN PERSON, LIBRARY**

The final 2 sessions of this six-week Book Study class will be on May 5th and 13th. LJ has been leading us through the book "Inhabiting Eden: Christians, the Bible, and the Ecological Crisis" by Patricia Tull. **The author will join us on May 13th!** So even if you haven't be able to join for the duration of the study you may want to plan to attend on May 13th to hear the author's thoughts.



COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS

MAY 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 @ 4-6PM **HIKES POINT HEINE BROS**

Want to have some informal talks about life and faith, our church and our community? Stop by and have coffee or tea with one of our pastors during the month of May. One of us will be at Heine Brothers in Hikes Point each Thursday in May from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. If it catches on, we'll do it another month too!





Our pastors will be offering prayers for Memorial Day in a drive through style much like we did the drive through ashes on Ash Wednesday. We will be out on our church lawn from 11:00 – 2:00 available to the community to stop by and have a prayer.

Please help spread the word through Facebook, Instagram and word of mouth!

UPCOMING EVENTS

TAI CHI INTRODUCTORY 12-WEEK SESSIONS

STARTING TUESDAY, MAY 28 @ 6:15-7:45PM

Designed for beginners; all abilities are welcome. This series of 12-weekly lessons will introduce you to the 108 moves of Taoist Tai Chi. Each week builds upon previous sessions. At the completion of this 12-week session, participants are invited to further develop their lifelong practice in continuing sessions. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing.



SUPPORT & ACCOUNTABILITY TEAM TRAINING

The Christian Education team has put together a support and accountability team that is going to be trained this month to offer support and accountability to felons who attend or join our church. The training will be done by **Mission Behind and Beyond Bars**. The pastors will meet with the new team: John Manzo (chairperson); Anita Lyon; Greg Lindauer; and Sloane. Thanks to these folks for agreeing to serve in this important ministry.





Mark your calendars now for the 2024 Drag Revival featuring Flamy Grant at Highland Community Ministries on June 6th! The last two years were wonderful events and filled with so much beloved music! Come join your pastors and other St. Andrew members in attending this fun night on Thursday, June 6!





DICEY LADIES & MEN (BUNCO)

MAY 2 @ 11:30AM

Join us on May 2 @ 11:30am in the Gathering Area at St Andrew UCC to play Bunco. Players take turns rolling three dice. One point is awarded for each die rolled that matches the current round number, 5 points are awarded if all three dice match each other, but do not match the current round number, and 21 points if all three dice match the current round number (a "bunco"). Bring a friend!



ITEMS NEEDED

Baking Items: cake mixes, flour, sugar -white, powdered & brown, corn starch, baking soda, baking powder, oil

Condiments: mustard, ketchup, mayo, syrup, salad dressing, jelly

Other Items: canned fruits (all), canned vegetables (no corn or green beans), canned chicken







SENIOR ADULT PROGRAM: IRIS SHOW

MAY 10 @ 9:00-5:00PM

THE FARM

Come and enjoy the beautiful show of hundreds of iris blooms at JR & Allen's Farm. Transportation to and from the farm will be all together on a small bus that belongs to Immanuel UCC. One of their members will be driving us. Please bring \$5-10 to put toward the cost of the bus and about \$10 for lunch at local restaurant.







ASSOCIATION YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT: EASTERN CEMETERY

MAY 11 @ 10AM-12NOON

Eastern Cemetery, one of the first cemeteries to bury people of different races, ethnicities, and religious backgrounds. Since the 1980s, Eastern Cemetery has been left abandoned and forgotten and not it is now being taken care of by volunteers like us. Bring gloves and water. We will have all the cleaning and yardwork supplies and tools!



GRADUATION SUNDAY

JUNE 2 @ 10:30AM

We will be honoring ALL our graduates during our Sunday Morning Worship Service on June 2. If you are graduating or if you know a St Andrew graduate that we can celebrate please let Pastor Emma know.



Camp Registration is open! Visit <u>merom.org</u> to get each camps links. If you are going please send Caroline Martinson the name of camper, and camp session. Church offers to pay half but if you need more support please let Caroline know.



PARTNERING WITH GREATHOUSE SHRYOCK SCHOOL

VOLUNTEER & CONNECTION TEAM

In the March 2024 Church Council meeting, Howard Harden presented a proposal to strengthen our relationship and service with our neighbor, Greathouse Shryock Traditional Elementary School. The council approved a motion for Howard to set up a Volunteer & Connection Team to work out the details of such a promising partnership.

The main objective for the team is to establish how we can be a good neighbor to Greathouse Shryock T.E.S. Whether it is by supporting the students, their families, the teaching or auxiliary staff, as well as other school community members.

If you have interest in serving on this Team, please contact Howard (hardy@cambus.com).



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERACTIVE & INTERGENERATIONAL OPTION

Through the 10 weeks of summer (June 2 - August 4, 2024) the Christian Education Team are planning on offering a fully interactive Sunday mornings, 9:00am -10:15am for ALL age groups, from 1 years old to 100 years old. Each Sunday would take the form of a Vacation Bible School, with a time to worship together, hear a Bible Lesson and then respond in a variety of ways: through discussion and reflection, crafting, a science experiment or playing a game. So, keep you eyes peeled for news of how you can join in during these summer weeks.



SUPPORTING BELLEWOOD & BROOKLAWN





Dear Church,

I have been freed up somewhat from 'Mamaw Duty' to be able to attend the last few meetings of the Bellewood & Brooklawn Auxiliary Club. This is a group that seeks to support the meaningful work of Bellewood & Brooklawn as they offer residential psychiatric care, therapeutic foster care, and community based services to children and youth in Kentucky that have experienced abuse and neglect.

Bellewood & Brooklawn is just starting to regain strength after some hurdles and COVID had taken its toll. Thankfully, they're getting close to full capacity again and the work of the Auxiliary Club continuing.

Our first project is furnishing a Relaxation/Meditation Room for the children and youth. The Auxiliary Club however will come close to depleting our existing funds with this effort. That is where you come in. I am reaching out to you in the hope that you would prayerfully consider gifting a monetary donation to build the Auxiliary Club's funds back again so that we can continue to support the needs of this vital service as they meet the needs of our most vulnerable children. Just a couple of dollars from everyone would make a huge difference.

I will be accepting monetary donations during church throughout the month of May.

Thank you,

Janet Thomas





PRESIDENT'S PRECIS

BY DAVID CARLSON



Church Council met Sunday, April 14 at noon(ish). These were some of the key decisions and activities by Council at its meeting (Note: Pastor Lori was unable to attend the meeting due to her vacation -- she was missed, but we carried on!):

- The Council heard from Anita Lyon as the coordinator for the Worship Arts ministry. Anita noted that there was a need for help in this ministry for those dedicated to helping in its work. Anita has been the coordinator for the ministry since inception and enjoys it but she would be happy to give to new leadership if someone were interested. Anita said that the group needed to do a better job of publicizing the need for people when tasks are required such as sanctuary setup, etc. They will be pursuing this through direct personal asks, signup sheets and noticed in the bulletin and newsletter.
- Emma spoke about her work with the Confirmation class and that the
 confirmation service is set for May 5. Emma is attending a class on training for
 "transitional ministry" which she finds very helpful and believes there will be
 lessons to bring back to St. Andrew. Finally, Emma is working with a local group
 of churches to talk about food insecurity needs in the area which have become
 more acute.
- JR will be attending a meeting of United Church of Christ Musicians Association (UCCMA) in July at the First Congregational Church of Greenwich, Connecticut. It will be their first meeting since the pandemic!
- David made a suggestion that the Council endorse a policy that groups with designated funds be allowed to expend their funds within specified limits without pre-review or pre-approval by Council. There was general support for this and Caroline will be pursuing this with David. The first task is to determine exact what the current policy states as some group that generate funds are already enabled to expend without Council approval.
- The Council began discussion of a call to the Associate Pastor, Emma Loane.

 Details need to be worked out but there was vigorous support that we all want

 Emma to continue her ministry at St. Andrew.



CHURCH LOGO WEAR



Sporting some church logo wear is a great way to get the word out about our church and spark conversation about the kind of faith community that we are. Not to mention that 20% of every item you purchase benefits the church.



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May Birthdays

- 1 Betty Allsmiller
- 3 Kim Bartley
- 4 Michael Weaver Donna Wenzel
- 7 Kendall Childers
- 10 Richard Stottman
- 11 Kathy Evans
- 12 Bill Schwartz
- 14 Laura MillsAmelia Montgomery
- 17 Terry Burden
- 20 Stephanie Cox
- 21 Greg Lindauer
- 24 Evelyn Kilpatrick
- 25 Gerry Riffe
- 26 Coley Ballard
- 27 David Carlson Kelis Dansby
- 28 Donna Rohrer Jessica Cunha
- 30 Justin Caldwell



May Anniversaries

- 1 Kim & Curt Bartley
- 12 Judy & Harvey Johnson
- 18 Neil & Erika Rohrer
- 19 Julianne & Jack Jens-Horton
- 23 Steve & Janie White
- 24 Bill & Suzanne Schwartz

thank you

Gift made in memory of Barbara Voll

Penny Wilding
David Sickbert

GIVING OPTIONS

The way we give has changed since COVID, here are some of the ways you might plan to give in 2024.



via check through the mail;



via Vanco our website online;



via cash/giving envelopes in the plate on Sunday.

Thank you for your generosity.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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CONFIRMATION 5 Sun. School 9:15a SAUCC Worship 10:30a-11:30a (S) MCCL Worship 12:30p-1:30p (S) Taizé Service 7:00a (S)	Boy Scouts 6:30p-8:30p (G, C) Book Study 7:00p-8:30p (L)	Tai-Chi 5:45p-7:45p (G) Derby City Voices 6:45p-8:15p(CH) CE Meeting 7:00p-8:30p (C)	NAMI 6 - 8p (G) Handbells 6:30p-7:30p (CH) Choir Rehearsal 7:30p-9:00p (CH)	Tai-Chi 10:45a-12:45p (G) PHC Basketball 8:00p-10:00p(G)	NA Meeting 7:00p-8:00p (L)	Tai-Chi 10:15a-12:15p (G)
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Joint Worship SAUCC & MCCL 10:30a-11:30a (S) Picnic 11:45a-1:00p (Front Lawn)	Drive-Thru Memorial Day Prayer 11:00a-2:00p Boy Scouts 6:30p-8:30p (G, C)	Blood Drive 1p-5p (G) Tai-Chi 5:45p-7:45p (G) Derby City Voices 6:45p-8:15p (CH)	NAMI 6 - 8p (G) Handbells 6:30p-7:30p (CH) Choir Rehearsal 7:30p-9:00p (CH)	Tai-Chi 10:45a-12:45p (G) PHC Basketball 8:00p-10:00p (G)	NA Meeting 7:00p-8:00p (L)	

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Novare welcome here!

Sunday School 9:15am Worship Service 10:30am

Office Hours

Tuesday2:30pm-5:30pmWednesday2:30pm-5:30pmFriday9:00am-1:00pm

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