

# ST. ANDREW'S MESSAGE

**Our Mission Statement – “Inspiring Change by following Jesus”**

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**Two Services Every Sunday**  
8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.



## March

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|---------------|---|
| <b>Mar 1</b>  | Worship 8:30 a.m.<br>Worship 10:00 a.m. Harvest Sunday<br>Workcamp Meeting 11:15 a.m. |
| <b>Mar 2</b>  | Outreach meeting 7:00 p.m.  |
| <b>Mar 4</b>  | Service Group 10:00 a.m.<br>Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.<br>Lent service 7:00 p.m.           |
| <b>Mar 5</b>  | Life Commissions 6:30 p.m.<br>Bible Study 6:30 p.m.                                   |
| <b>Mar 8</b>  | Daylight Savings<br>Worship 8:30 a.m.<br>Worship 10:00 a.m.                           |
| <b>Mar 11</b> | Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.<br>Lent service 7:00 p.m.                                       |
| <b>Mar 12</b> | Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.   |
| <b>Mar 15</b> | Worship 8:30 a.m.<br>Worship 10:00 a.m.   |
| <b>Mar 18</b> | Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.<br>Lent service 7:00 p.m.                                       |
| <b>Mar 19</b> | Bible Study 6:30 p.m.   |
| <b>Mar 20</b> | Jan Peek  |
| <b>Mar 22</b> | Worship 8:30 a.m.<br>Worship 10:00 a.m.   |
| <b>Mar 25</b> | Soup Supper 6:00 p.m.<br>Lent service 7:00 p.m.                                       |
| <b>Mar 29</b> | Worship 8:30 a.m.<br>Worship 10:00 a.m.   |



## Your Prayers are requested for those:



### In Need

Daniel King

Warren Ludvigsen

### Hospitalized or recuperating

Kitty Badalamenti  
Kathy DeMaio  
Ingrid Frank

Charlotte & Bill Hamm  
Joseph Knapp, Sr  
Anne Latino

Linda Louie  
Patricia McGregor  
Robin Muller

Nicole Safron  
Gemma Small  
Donna Shores

### Wrestling with long-term health issues

Massimo Berardelli  
Bill & Joan Borkowsky  
Nancy Calandra  
Andrea Cummings  
Alessandro Cuniberti  
Kim Dary

Debbie Dubois  
Doug Dubois  
Joanna Falcone  
Judy Gordon  
Vivian Hyde  
Mike Lekhmus

Roseann Lella  
Karen Livingston Bernardo  
Mary Kay McNamee  
Helen O'Brien  
Lucille Oricchio  
Liz Printz

Maria Quas  
Edith Raspuzzi  
Samantha Shores  
Tony Susi  
Brad Wheeler  
Lisa Wheeler

### Facing life's challenges

Adama Bamba  
Alyssa Billingsley  
Devon Crispell  
Nathan & Rebecca Irwin-Diehl

Dominic Enriguez  
Eric Enriguez  
Mark Graff, Jr. & Family

Paul Kristoffersen  
Sean and Sarah Prinz  
Ann Robertiello

Joanne Saylor  
The Small Family  
Tom Tillstrand

### Mourning the passing of

Michael Galea  
Karen Haaland-Weyand  
Edward V. Rohle  
Lazzaro Peter Pellegrini  
Donna Scimia

Henry Kulick  
Gregorio Guerra  
Deniece Clancy  
Phil C. Novak  
Cherelle Browning

Willie Quas  
Gjina Bujaj  
John Gordon  
Mark Graff  
Jean Farrell

David Diehl  
Doug Knowles  
Bruno Rohle  
Gladys Rohle  
Jackiel Diehl

### Restricted to home/nursing facilities

Ed Gavard

Norlene McAuliffe

Mary Shepard

### Serving in the Armed Forces

Randy Bacon  
Daniel Bendetti  
Brandon Cintron  
Paul Fosse Jr.

Gregory Gonzalez  
Kenneth Holman  
Michael Lawless

Anthony Lawrence  
Randal Middleton  
Will O'Brien

Michael J. Tillstrand  
Alex Wood  
Jayson Zuluaga

### Our Missionaries

Dr. Stephen J. and Jodi Swanson

### Bishop

Rev. Paul Egensteiner

### Residents of Jan Peek House

Please fill out a **Prayer Request Card** (found in the pew holders) to place someone on or remove someone from the Prayer List and bring it to the office or put it in the offering plate or call or email the office. Thank you.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

### Intentionality– part two

Over the last year, Sarah and I seem drawn to the word “intentionality.” Coming from her deep love and practice of yoga, intentionality is something we work on everyday. Somedays our goals for the day get accomplished, sometimes we have to rethink them in light of their non-fruitation. Last month I told you about three intentions I have set. One in the spiritual realm, one physical and one for the benefit of our family.

I am working towards reading the Bible in about a year. It's a big goal, I'm about 10% done. I find breaking down big goals into smaller bits makes it seem much more manageable. 11 chapters of the Bible is 1%. Can I read 11 chapters in a week? Can you? Yeah, no matter how busy we claim our lives to be, we set our own intentions. 22 chapters a week for a year and you'll read the whole thing in a year. We make time for what is important.

Swimming is an activity that I have come to love. I never really swam before a few years ago. I took swim lessons as a kid but nothing beyond a few days at the pool each summer. With Sarah's encouragement I have taken my swimming up several degrees. I had hoped in the last month to swim a mile. That's 72 laps of the pool I'm connected to. I told my kids that I was trying to swim a mile, so now every time I go to the gym at least one person asks me how far I'm trying to go, and I know, that I will get asked about it as soon as I get home.

“Intentionality” has been the name of the game. Setting goals, considering barriers, making time to work towards what you want-the nuts and bolts aren't all that hard. Keeping consistent, being honest with your capacity (which is often greater than we expect rather than less), dealing with setbacks and disappointments- that is what's hard.

*"Then God answered me and said: Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.*

*For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.*

*If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.*

*Look at the proud!*

*Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith".*

**Habakkuk 2:2-4**

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE cont.



As a church we have our goal, and it's a big one. "Inspiring change by following Jesus." Change begins with us. Are we willing to rethink what it means to be a Christian in this modern world? Can we take our faith into places it has never gone before? Let's try! We can do it together. It takes work, planning and, you guessed it, intentionality. Start small, set a goal, tell a friend about and ask them to check back in with you. Celebrate your prayer life, or your Bible reading, honor your good works done on behalf of another. Then set another goal, maybe a bit bigger. God has been doing amazing things, through ordinary people for a long time. It seems like God's regular way of getting things done in the world and we are invited to take part in what God is up to! Thanks be to God!

**See you on Sunday, Pastor Dave**

## Day Light Savings is March 8

Just a reminder to set your clock ahead in preparation for daylight savings time on Sunday March 8.



## Design Team

### First Impressions Project Update

The Design Team met in late February to continue the efforts to improve and update the appearance of our church into 2020. The team consists of Pastor Dave (Chairperson), Linda Bohlk, Linda Cuniberti, Mike Epting, David Hamm, Ken Muller, and Rita Nehmzow. Much was accomplished in 2019; updated playground equipment, new altar and front entrance flooring, new projector, wider paved sidewalks, and fresh paint inside and out. However, there is still more to be done.

Projects being considered include sound system improvements, new nursery room flooring, new fencing around the playground and more improvements to the front entry way.

David Hamm and Ken Muller recently installed modern ceiling

tiles and light fixtures in the front entrance; so please look up on your way in (or out)!



# CHURCH COUNCIL

## March Highlights

- \* Pastor Dave is continuing to talk with Police Chief Noble to schedule a security presentation in the near future.
- \* Sunday School Awards will be presented on June 21 rather than June 14.
- \* Stewardship efforts will be moved to October in order to facilitate planning the next year's budget.



### Pastor

Dave Dockweiler

### Council Members

Linda Bohlk - *President*  
 Judith Bailey-Hung - *V Pres.*  
 Rita Nehmzow - *Secretary*  
 David Hamm - *Treasurer*

Tim Clark  
 Dominic Justo  
 Kristine Kallesten  
 Dora Morabito  
 Lynn Parliman  
 Steve Scalzi  
 Dale Sharp

### Financial Secretary

Margaret Hauck

### Nominating Committee

Kathy DeMaio  
 Sue Epting  
 Rob Granfors  
 Carol Holodak  
 Judy Jakubik  
 Gemma Reinkraut  
 Andy Sabol

## YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY - JANUARY

|  | <u>2020</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|--|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Contributions                          | \$ 17,500   |               | \$ 15,700   | \$ 1,800          |
| Other Income                           | 8,700       |               | 9,000       | (300)             |
| Total Income                           | 26,200      |               | 24,700      | 1,500             |
| Expenses                               | 25,400      | \$26,000      | 24,500      | 900               |
| Surplus                                | \$ 800      |               | \$ 200      | \$ 600            |
| Average Sunday attendance <sup>1</sup> | 91          |               | 82          | 11%               |

1 - it snowed one Sunday in 2019

## SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Sunday School continues to go well and we have seen more steady attendance in the past two months. Please continue to bring your children to Sunday School each week so they can continue to learn and grow in their faith.

The bulletin board in the hallway has been completed by the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade class so please take a few minutes to view their hard work while you enjoy a bagel and cup of coffee.

Ash Wednesday is on Feb. 26 this year and we will again be using the small Lenten Offering boxes to collect coins for a worthy cause. Pastor Dave and I will decide to whom the money should be donated. Please watch for your child to bring home the box within the next few weeks. The children always enjoy this activity each year!

In order for the Sunday School children to become more involved with the congregation and the church service, on Harvest Sundays, the children will sing a song after processing in with the food donations. We will be practicing during the worship part of Sunday School each week so please encourage your child to join us.

Margy is trying to increase the number of children in the youth choir so we are encouraging the Sunday School students to participate. So far we have 5 new children who are planning to give it a try so if your child would like to sing, please let Margy or me know.

All are welcome!

### Upcoming dates to remember:

**Sunday, Feb. 23** – Lenten boxes distributed to children

**Sunday, March 1** – Harvest Sunday/presentation of song by Sunday School

If your child's box of offering envelopes is depleted, please contact me and I will provide you with a new box. These are not dated so they can be used in successive years until finished.

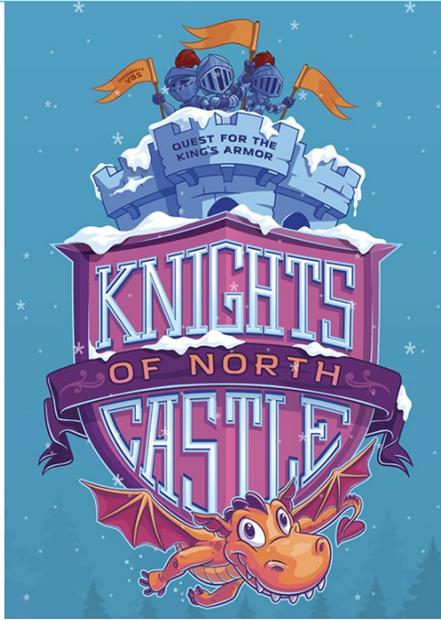
We are always looking for more people to join our Sunday School staff so please consider volunteering as a teacher, helper, etc. We'd love to have you!

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. You can reach me via phone at 914-715-9546 or by e-mail at [epting.susan@gmail.com](mailto:epting.susan@gmail.com).

Looking forward to seeing you all each Sunday!

**God Bless, Sue Epting**





## **WE NEED YOU**

### **AS A VOLUNTEER FOR VBS THIS SUMMER AT**

#### **Yorktown United Methodist Church!**

**Cokesbury's VBS 2020, Knights of North Castle: Quest for the King's Armor, invites children to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power by exploring how we put on the armor of God. Kids will take on the role of brave Knights and begin their quest each session by opening the King's Book.**

## **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AND BEING A PART OF THIS AMAZING MINISTRY?**

**DATE: JULY 6-10, 2020 9:00 am-12:00 pm**

*hosted by*

**Yorktown United Methodist Church  
2300 Crompond Road  
Yorktown, NY 10598**

**Be Strong In the Lord and in the Strength of His Power!  
Ephesians 6:10**

#### **TEEN VOLUNTEER HOURS:**

**Teen Orientation: June 7, 1-3 pm**

**Training: July 1 & 2 @ 9 am-12noon**

**VBS volunteer hours: July 6-10 8:30-1 pm**

**Closing Worship Service: July 10 @ 7 pm**

#### **ADULT VOLUNTEER HOURS:**

**Adult Leader Training: March 22 & April 26, 1-3 pm**

**VBS: July 6-10 8:30 am-12:15 pm**

**\*Pastor devotionals: 7/6 - 7/10 @ 12:15 pm-12:45 pm \*optional**

**Closing Worship Service: July 10 @ 7 pm**

**All teens completing 6<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to be a Teen Helper!**

**\*Community Service Youth Opportunity\***

## YOUTH

This summer, our high school aged youth will return to Workcamp. We'll head to **Rochester New York, July 19-25**. Workcamp is a non-denominational Christian organization specializing in hosting mission trips. This will be my 28thish Workcamp. I keep going back because each time my faith grows. Our youth will join about 400 youth from across the country to repair homes of the elderly, single women and disabled folks. Home of Kodak, Rochester was truly prosperous until the digital camera brought down the film camera industry.



Today, Rochester is the fifth-poorest major city in the nation. Decades of “redlining”—an unethical practice that makes it hard for residents of certain poor neighborhoods to get loans—have left pockets of true housing need throughout the city.

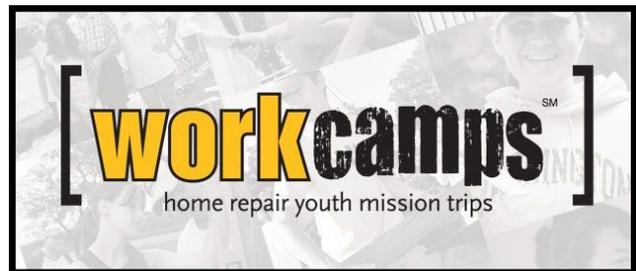
Last year, I introduced this congregation to the ministry of “Workcamp.” This year I am excited to continue the experience. If you have a child entering high school, they are eligible for the trip.



We need \$100 non-refundable deposit by March 8 to secure your spot. Additional expenses will be determined by fundraising activities.



For over a decade, Group Mission Trips has enjoyed an ongoing, sustainable partnership with this area’s leading anti-poverty agency. They have a heart for people and work hard to build up their community. The resident you serve will have specifically applied for your help and has been visited and thoroughly vetted for both need and a safe environment for participants.



I love Workcamp, it has fueled my faith over the years and I have no doubt that your young person would benefit.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me with questions or thoughts,

**Pastor Dave**

## Lent



This week we begin the 40 day journey of Lent. Our hope is found in the book of Philippians, "Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." Lent is a natural season to take a good look at ourselves in the mirror. To see the blessings that God has given us, to consider how we have used them and how we might use them in the future. Lent is a time of preparation. In olden days, those wanting to become Christians would read, practice and prepare for their baptism at Easter during Lent.

At Saint Andrew's we gather on Wednesday nights in addition to Sunday mornings during Lent. We gather to share a **meal at 6pm and worship at 7pm.** It is a season where we focus a little harder on listening to God, being in community and sharing our gifts. Our Confirmation class has been preparing for Lent these past few weeks. I asked them to consider what they thought it meant that Jesus emptied himself even to the point of dying on a cross. We thought about what things we would ask God to empty from our world.

Our young people came up with amazing imagery for us to consider during Lent. I turned it into an art project that you can help us complete during the Wednesday meals. We have 6 images of things that we are asking God to remove from our world and 6 images of things we hope God will fill our world with. Some are global concerns like climate change while others are deeply personal such as anger.

During the season of Lent our sanctuary will change with additional images being added each week.



Let's take Lent seriously. If you had ever been looking for an invitation to focus on your spiritual lives, now is the time. Our worship space will change, maybe we will change too. We will join together for a simple meal on Wednesday, reflecting on how Jesus shared a simple meal with his disciples. We will paint imagery and share our gifts (the painting is super simple) and see how when working together large projects become palatable. We will wonder together what it means for Jesus to empty himself and dream about how we can help show the world that God's love has flooded our world.

May you have a blessed Lent, try out a Spiritual practice, make your inner life as important as your outer. God will show up, God will speak, God will come alongside you for this walk of faith and we will all be blessed because of what God has done, is doing and will do through you!

**Pastor Dave**



## WELCOME!!

On Sunday, Feb 23 St. Andrew's welcomed new members; Brandon, Hillary, Grant and Lana Cole, Bobby and Ashely Capicchioni, and Jaclyn and Christopher Fallon to our congregation. We are happy to have them join our church family and look forward to fellowship on Sundays and social events,



## Congratulations!

On Feb 23, Reverend Dr. Arden C. Strasser was installed as the pastor of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church Time Square. Congratulations and best wishes on you new call!



## Service Group

Our February meeting was devoted to starting our Lutheran World Relief Project. We have purchased fleece material of different patterns and solids to create 9 blankets for the needy. On February 4 Carolyn Seith, Janis Zaeh, Helen Ligon, Lorraine Miller and Rita Nehmzow put together and completed our first blanket of the project. Though it took some time to get it all figured out, we got it done. Now that we've completed the first one, the rest should come easily. It is a fun project and will give comfort to individuals in need. The size is 60" x 80" and is big enough to place over a twin bed or cuddle yourself in. I must say we were quite proud and had Sarah Dockweiler take a picture of us with the finished product, so please take a look! On an added note, these blankets are no sewing required!!



Our co-leader, Kathy DeMaio, was unable to make the meeting because she had surgery that morning. We're happy to report that she is doing well. As a group, we said a prayer for her quick and complete recovery.

Our next meeting will be on the first Wednesday of March, the 4th, and we sure would love to have your help in this terrific project. We would like to have all 9 completed for shipping in May.

**All God's blessings, Rita Nehmzow**

## CELEBRATIONS



|    |                 |    |                       |
|----|-----------------|----|-----------------------|
| 2  | Derek Lyman     | 14 | Susan Epting          |
| 3  | George Hansen   | 16 | Katie Werbrock        |
| 3  | Amy Finney      | 16 | Susan Johnsen         |
| 3  | Robin Holman    | 17 | Jackson Kuhn          |
| 3  | Kylie Anderson  | 17 | Theodore Jakubik      |
| 3  | Jade Muller     | 22 | Rudy Van Tongeren     |
| 5  | Jared Hansen    | 23 | Fred Hauck            |
| 7  | Timothy Clark   | 23 | Sal Ferone            |
| 7  | Jeffrey Steiner | 23 | Catherine Badalamenti |
| 7  | Jake Anderson   | 23 | Joseph Sbuttoni Jr.   |
| 8  | Sara Walter     | 26 | Melissa Tally         |
| 9  | James Shelley   | 27 | Peter Toikka          |
| 9  | Nick Tufano     | 28 | Lynn Ruzicka          |
| 11 | Barbara Benton  | 28 | Janet Haggblom        |
| 11 | Geneva Quinker  | 28 | Christopher Finney    |
| 12 | Jessica Leahy   | 29 | Nancy Cooper          |
| 13 | Dennis McGovern |    |                       |

*Happy Anniversary!*

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| 9  | Rita & William Nehmzow |
| 12 | Karen & Mark DosSantos |
| 14 | Laura & Anthony Susi   |
| 27 | Mary & James Haley     |



## MESSAGE January 2020

Messages are posted on our website <http://standrewsyorktown.com/> under the Newsletter tab.

*We Are Family*

**63 Years Serving Christ**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP with Holy Communion - 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL (age 3 – 7th grade) – 10:00 a.m.**

Rev. Dave Dockweiler, Pastor

Margy Tillstrand, Music Director

Linda Bohlk, President

Judith Bailey-Hung, Vice President

Sarah Dockweiler, Office Secretary

**The Church office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**



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