

# St. Andrew's Message

Feb 2022

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

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- Feb 6** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
**Annual meeting following**
- Feb 7** 7:15 p.m. Outreach Commission  
8:00 p.m. Confirmation
- Feb 11** 7:00 p.m. Life Commission
- Feb 13** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Feb 14** 8:00 p.m. Confirmation
- Feb 17** 7:15 p.m. Council Meeting
- Feb 20** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
**Marriage Sunday**
- Feb 27** 8:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Feb 28** 8:00 p.m. Confirmation

## February

*Happy*  
**VALENTINE'S**

➡➡➡ **DAY** ➡➡➡



Give Online

# In our Prayers :

## Hospitalized or recuperating

James Byrne  
Paige DeRiggi  
Linda Greco

Barbara Hogan  
Joseph Knapp Sr.  
Justin Lancaster

Anne Latino  
Patricia McGregor  
John McGuirk

Karen McIntyre  
Nicole Safron

## Wrestling with long-term health issues

Nancy Calandra  
Chuck Cassidy  
Jonathan Cope  
Andrea Cummings  
Alessandro Cuniberti  
Debbie Dubois  
Doug Dubois  
Jen Epting Dary  
Katie Epting- Harris

Anna Errico  
Joanna Falcone  
Judy Gordon  
Mary Gus  
Tom Gurba  
Laura Heiss  
Vivian Hyde  
Mike Lekhmus  
Roseann Lella

Christina Morris  
Mary Kay McNamee  
Robin Muller  
Ed O'Connell  
Lucille Oricchio  
Liz Prinz  
Anita Porter  
Rick Raggi  
Tom Riordan

Samantha Shores  
Steve Scalzi  
John Smith  
Tony Susi  
Peggiann Thorp  
Bella Tufano  
Brad Wheeler  
Lisa Wheeler

## Facing life's challenges

Alyssa Billingsley  
Devon Crispell  
Dominic Enriquez  
Eric Enriquez

Cathleen Famular  
Mark Graff, Jr. & Family  
Laura Heiss  
Daniel King

Paul Kristoffersen  
Sarah Prinz  
Sean Prinz  
Rob Reynolds

Ann Robertiello  
Joanne Sayles  
Cathy Souza

## Mourning the passing of

Charlette Hamm  
Delores Shuler  
Audrey Conlon

Ingrid Frank  
William Hamm  
Cindy Berg Sauter

Helen O'Brien  
Edith Raspuzzi  
Ed Gavard

Robert Badalamenti  
Beryl Zapp  
Rob Bellamy

## Serving in the Armed Forces

Randy Bacon  
Daniel Bendetti  
Brandon Cintron

Paul Fosse Jr.  
Gregory Gonzalez  
Tajae Hickson

Kenneth Holman  
Michael Lawless  
Randal Middleton

Michael J. Tillstrand  
Alex Wood  
Jayson Zuluaga

## Restricted to a Nursing Home

Norlene McAuliffe

Mary Shepard

Gus Hellman

## Our Bishop

Rev. Paul Egensteiner

## Our Missionaries

Dr. Stephen J. and Jodi Swanson

## Residents of Jan Peek

Please call or email the office  
to place someone on or re-  
move someone from the  
Prayer List.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The word “whirlwind” comes to mind when I think about the last year of ministry at St. Andrew’s. The highs and lows have been demanding. We celebrated 65 years, we mourned the deaths of many loved ones, we look forward to the successful launch and partnership with the Maryel School and we have dealt with cycles of opening and closing our building for physical worship. Maybe it’s time I listen to my own preaching about God’s lamp being a “lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path,” both reassuring and kind of annoying at the same time. We want to see the big picture, I don’t want a little lamp for my feet, I want a search light shining all the way home. Faith and life do not function in this manner. So we look closer, get quiet and listen for God.

Of course we see and hear God just about everywhere when we get ourselves focused and in tune. From what we can see the future looks bright. Our lease with Maryel will be a great assistance to the long term financial health of our community. 2022 will likely see a decrease in income because of the way in which the lease was drafted, which is detailed in the Treasurers report. Peering in 2022 we see our ministries “normalizing” with youth ministries gearing back up, all the regular outreach activities will likely return in addition to the new ones we created during the shut down. I am excited about the coming year. We are going through a time of transition but the calm will return, it always does.

I have to shine the light on a few people who have been extraordinarily helpful throughout this year. Our Council President Linda Bohlk has done an

amazing job. Join me in thanking Linda. As our President for the last 3 years she had kept a steady hand on the tiller of this church. From the implosion of our previous renter, staff changes and a massive lease negotiation, Linda has earned our appreciation. Sarah Dockweiler has not only stepped up to the plate every time an opportunity has arisen for her to do more, she has gracefully pushed me to become a better pastor. Thank you Sarah.

Between the council, committees, Scouts, AA groups, so many different hands have pitched into help. Ministry at St. Andrew’s is a ministry of COLLABORATION. Therefore, we are going to undertake a short season of intentional introspection to identify our congregational strengths and weaknesses. We have already secured the use of an online survey in which many of you will be asked to participate. Once we can clearly see our greatest strengths and the areas of most need we will work together on those weaknesses. We can only function at the level of our lowest factor and by addressing our lowest functioning area of ministry our church will grow stronger.

It has been a good year and it will be a great year in 2022. Thank you for faithfully answering God’s call to love your neighbor as yourself, to feed the hungry and share joy with the lonely. Well done good and faithful servants of Jesus! It is an honor and a privilege to be called your pastor.

**As always, see you on Sunday,  
Pastor Dave**

# CHURCH COUNCIL

## January 2022

- Council members reviewed the 2022 budget which will be presented to the congregation for approval at the February 6, 2022 Semi-annual Congregational Meeting. The meeting will immediately follow the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Details about whether the meeting will be in-person and Zoom or Zoom only will be announced closer to the date. Please attend this very important meeting!
- Marshall Alarm Systems, Inc. was approved to install the fire alarm system for our main building with a bid of \$8,900. This is a necessary requirement to keep our new tenant and all of us safe.
- Thank you to Joseph Hayes for designing our fire alarm system gratis!
- Maryel's request to install permanent sheetrock walls with doors in the back room for classrooms was unanimously approved.
- Worship services and church related meetings will continue online until Covid numbers decrease significantly and it is determined to be safe to return in-person.

### Pastor

Dave Dockweiler

### Council Members 2022

Linda Bohlk – President  
 Tim Clark – VP  
 Sue Epting – Secretary  
 David Hamm – Treasurer

Michael Banks  
 Matthew Damrow  
 Chuck Farrell  
 Gary Grossman  
 Dominic Justo  
 Kristine Kallesten  
 Rita Nehmzow  
 Gemma Reinkraut  
 Steve Scalzi

### Financial Secretary

Margaret Hauck

### Nominating Committee 2022

Lisa Billingsley  
 Linda Ferone  
 Judith Bailey Hung  
 Dale Sharp  
 Sonja Letizia  
 Kristin Quaid

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY - YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,

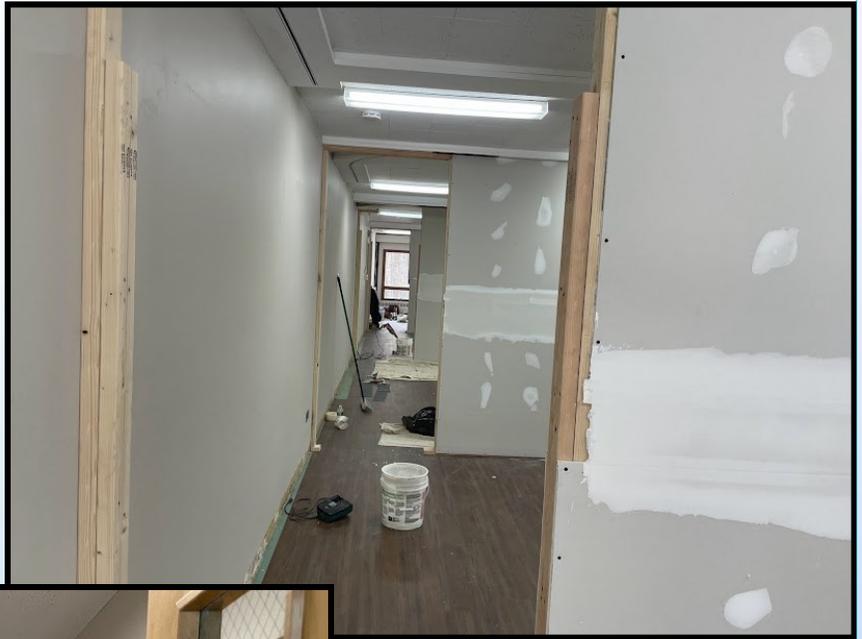
	<u>2021</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>2019 *</u>
Contributions	\$ 207,100		\$ 205,900	\$ 1,200	\$ 190,300
Other Income	45,000		85,600	(40,600)	79,400
Total Income	252,100		291,500	(39,400)	269,700
Expenses	242,500	\$245,000	241,500	1,000	263,700
Surplus <sup>1</sup>	\$ 9,600		\$ 50,000	\$ (40,400)	\$ 6,000

1 - does not include \$53,000 of ERTC in 2021 and the \$30,000 PPP loan in 2020

\* 2019 is presented to show the last normal "pre-Covid" period

## Building Update:

**Pictured right:** Back room hallway with all the new classrooms



**Pictured left:**  
Hallway starting at back room all the way down past church offices to Music Room

**Pictured right:** A new classroom in the back room. We will be using this room and one more for Sunday School.



## Thank you from St. Pauly Textile, Inc.

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you and your families safe and warm this winter. We're happy to report that 2021 was a record year. Over 40 million pounds of clothing were donated our clothing sheds-that's over 200,000 pounds of clothing collected every business day!

Every clothing she is an important part of the big picture. Here are some numbers to shoe you the impact your own shed made in 2021...

- 45,967 ponds of clothing were donated to your shed in 2021
- This was enough to clothe an estimated 8,468 people all over the worlds.
- Based on this volume of clothing your organization received \$1,839.

Thank you so much for partnering with us on this. We truly appreciate all the support you continue to give the clothing shed program!

Sincerely,  
The Team at St. Pauly Textile, Inc.



## Update on the Swanson Family

Click [here](#) for their recent newsletter update



## SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Winter has finally arrived along with the newest COVID surge. Unfortunately, we have had to close the church due to omicron. That includes Sunday School but we are hoping that the surge will be short-lived and we can resume “in person” Sunday School classes soon. I will keep you updated as to the status of reopening again.

Until we are able to meet again, I will continue to send out frequent e-mails along with some activities for the children to work on. Please take some photos of your child with their artwork and e-mail to me so we can feature them in the next monthly issue of The Message.

Harvest Sunday continues the first Sunday of each month. The children bring a nonperishable food item and we process into the church where they hear a children’s sermon from Pastor Dave before returning to their classrooms. The next Harvest Sunday is on February 6th if church is open again.

Lent will begin with Ash Wednesday on March 2nd. Depending upon where we are with the pandemic, we will try to distribute the little Lenten banks to all of the children. Please ask your children

to think about where they would like to donate the money collected.

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 so please give it your prayerful consideration and let me know if you are interested.

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

Looking forward to seeing you each Sunday via Zoom or “in person” when we can meet again! Stay safe, please get vaccinated and wear your mask!

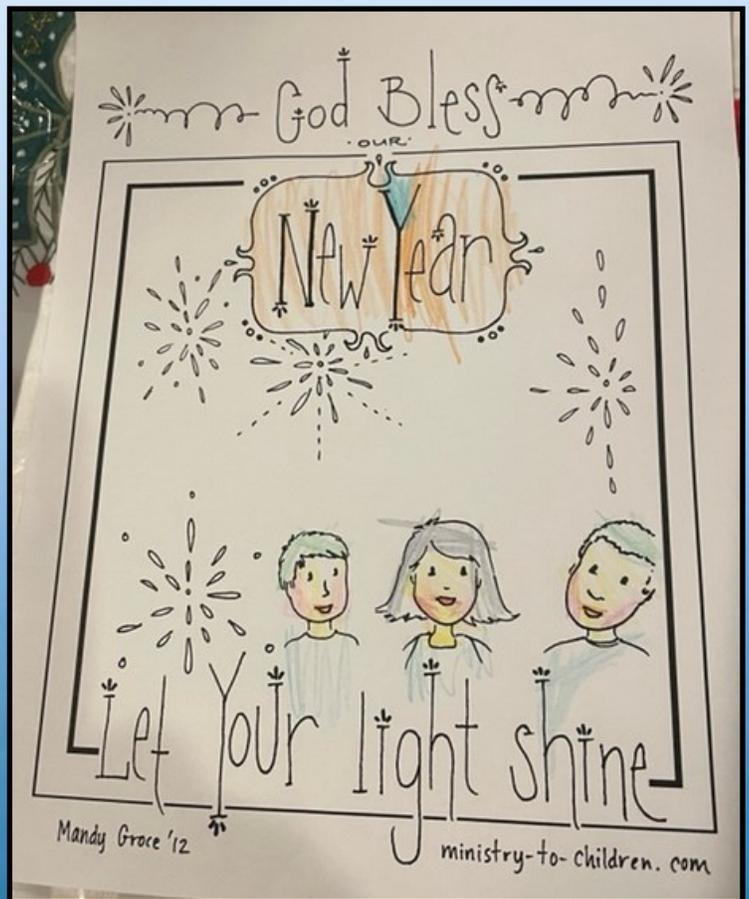
**God Bless,  
Sue Epting, Superintendent**



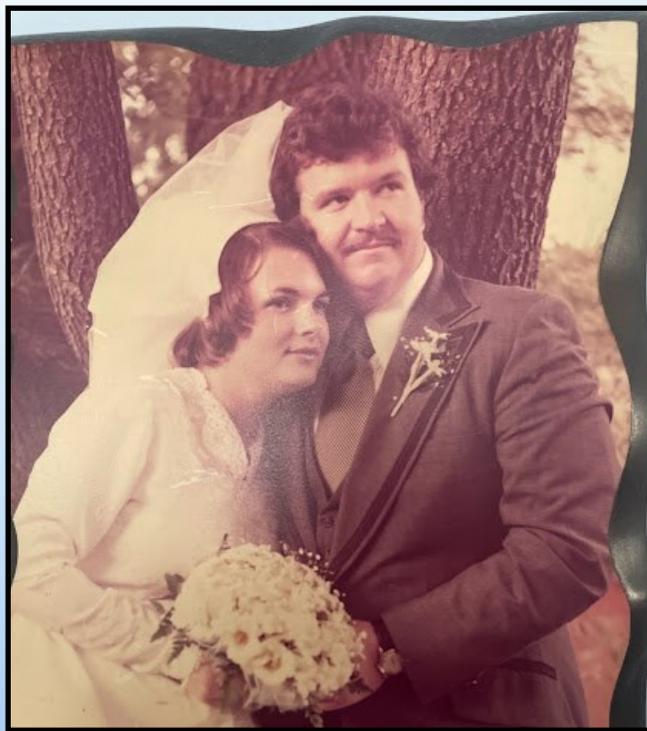
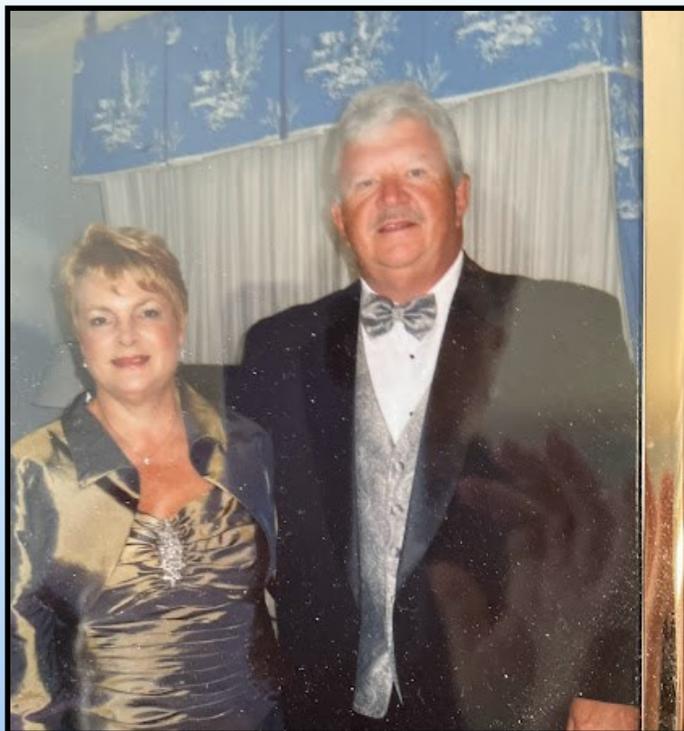
# SUNDAY SCHOOL PICUTES



Pictures are colored and decorated by Dahlia Muller in the Pre-k Sunday School class. Great Job!



# Marriage Sunday



**Carol and Richard Holodak will celebrate 45 years of marriage on October 2**



**Mike and Sue Epting will celebrate 45 years on August 27**

# Happy Birthday

1	Chau Vo	13	Larry Herbst
2	Noah Dockweiler	14	Randal Middleton
3	Connor Anderson	14	Cassandra Fox
3	Nadia Williams	15	Joyce Vo
4	John Markiewicz	16	Connor Bergstrom
4	Sue Wagner	16	Tara Bergstrom
4	Stephen Scalzi	16	Hailey Behen
6	Lila Muller	17	Peter L. Seith
7	Mary Haley	17	Kristen Kelly
7	Kyra Gustavson	17	Jonathan Justo
7	Erica Brisson	22	Christine Mattson
8	Brianna Kelly	23	Richard Van Tongeren
9	James Piteo	23	Michelle Van Tongeren
9	Victoria Zupa	24	Bill Gallagher
12	Henry Borgelt	24	Randi Polizzi
12	Francesca Bonavita	25	Carolyn Seith
13	Barbara Fischer	25	Robert Headley
13	Gustav Hellman	25	Ryan Manfredonia
13	Karl Grutzmacher	26	Christopher Holodak



## MESSAGE February 2022

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

*We Are Family*

**65 Years Serving Christ**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.**

Rev. Dave Dockweiler, Pastor

Margy Tillstrand, Music Director

Linda Bohlk, President

Tim Clark, Vice President

Sue Epting, Sunday School Superintendent & Council Secretary

Sarah Dockweiler, Office Secretary



St. Andrew's  
Lutheran Church

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