St. Andrew's Message

Worship Learn Serve



Dates to Remember

Nov 3 7:00pm Confirmation

8:15 Zoom Guatemala Meeting

Nov 5 11:00 a.m. Leisher Memorial Service

Nov 6 Day Light Savings

8:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Live and Zoom

12:00 Kristofferson Memorial Service

Nov 9 7:00 p.m. Memorial Committee **Nov 10** 6:00 p.m. Life Commission

7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Nov 13 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Live and Zoom

Nov 17 7:15 p.m. Council

Nov 19 Produce sale

Nov 20 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Live and Zoom

4:00 p.m. Interfaith Thanksgiving service

Produce sale

Christmas Decorating

Nov 24 Thanksgiving

Nov 27 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Live and Zoom

WORSHIP

Pastor's Message

The signs are coming. Signs that point us in the direction of what is so important. These are our what grounds us in thought and behavior. Every organization needs its own moral compass and some of our most significant days are happening this month. In a few weeks we celebrate "Christ the King" Sunday. It's on Christ the King Sunday that we are invited to worship the Lord as KING of our lives, claiming in voice and action



that there is NO OTHER person or goal more important in our lives that Jesus. What a powerful reminder! We worship Jesus as King over Heaven and Earth, over our time and our hopes, our obligations and our calendars, our plans and our finances.

Another huge indicator of our faith is "All Saints" Sunday. Coming this week we remember and lift up those whom we consider our saints both personal and collective. We thank God for the lives of those who have died recently, we reflect on what they accomplished in their lives and we give thanks that they helped pave the way for our faith to grow.

Lastly, by the end of the month we begin Advent, the season of "expectant waiting." Getting fully into Advent is always hard for me. There are always plans to be made, presents buy, something to wrap and somewhere to go. Waiting for Christmas is tough when Christmas comes to the stores before Halloween is even put away, but that is the challenge of discipleship. To walk with God through the seasons instead of sprinting from favorite to favorite, is the calling we choose to follow.

My pastoral advice-take your time this season. I know it's easy to say and hard to do. Slow down, remind yourself of what is important. Pray, walk, meditate, sing through the seasons. If Jesus is the King of our lives, all will fall into place. When we can recognize the saints living among us and those who have touched our lives we will see our strength. As we allow ourselves to wait, knowing that Jesus will be born again into our lives and spend our time looking for Christ among us-that's the good stuff.

May God Bless you through this season, See you on Sunday,

Pastor Dave

Council Notes

October 2022

- We planned and discussed the volunteer needs of Nov 20. We will have the produce sale happening along with church decorating, with a lunch for all the volunteers.
- We made plans for our upcoming Stewardship Drive corresponding with Stewardship Sunday on Nov 20



LEARN



November

Upcoming Events

- Remember to turn your clocks back Saturday in preparation for Daylight Savings on **Nov 6.**
- Produce Sale Nov 19th & 20th.
- November is Stewardship Month. We will have guest speakers and pledge cards will be collected on Nov 20th. Like everyone else, costs are rising for the church. Please think about how much St. Andrews

<u>Pastor</u> Dave Dockweiler

Council Members 22-23

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Nominating Committee 2022-23

Lisa Billingsley Linda Bohlk Matt Damrow Kathy DeMaio Tim Gagliano Sonja Letizia means to you and if you can pledge to give more in 2023.





(Left) Enjoying the leaves at the Pumpkin Carving Contest (Right) Third and Fourth grade class with a pumpkin craft.

Sunday School

Sunday School is running along smoothly and we average between 15 and 20 children per week. Of course, we are competing with sports so hopefully we will soon have everyone back in class.

Highlights of October included Harvest Sunday, a special lesson about the Bible presented by Cyndi Clark for the children in grades 3 through 7, a special children's sermon by Deacon Karen Conlon during the Oct. 23rd 10 AM service, and coloring of pictures to be showcased on the new bulletin boards which will be dedicated on Oct. 30th!

November 6th will bring a special Advent lesson by Cyndi Clark along with the distribution of Advent calendars. We will light the Advent wreath each Sunday beginning on November 27th.

During November we will begin preparations for the annual Children's Christmas pageant to be held on Sunday, December 18th during the 10 AM service. Hopefully, COVID will allow us to return to this fun activity that's enjoyed by all. More information will follow over the next few weeks but we ask that parents begin speaking with their children about participation and potential speaking parts. Please keep in mind that there will be a rehearsal after Sunday School on December 13th (for an hour) and a dress rehearsal on Saturday, Dec. 19th which will include a pizza lunch.

As always, we welcome anyone who would like to teach or help with Sunday School, do a special lesson or craft with the children, or assist with events such as the annual Christmas pageant. Please reach out to me with any questions at epting.susan@gmail.com or via cell at 914-715-9546.

Have a Happy Halloween and a Happy Thanksgiving! Looking forward to seeing everyone in Sunday School each week!

God Bless,

Sue Epting, Sunday School Superintendent

Pictures from our Third Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest.

Congratulations to the winners! Thanks to our Judges, Noel Reyes from Empire Ninja, YPD Officer Matt and Kellie Slater. Special Thanks to YFD and YPD, Bona Bona and, WBP Produce and Celtic Farms for the pumpkins and of course our wonderful volunteers and community. We had about 200 people come to the pumpkin event and 50 competitors.

A great time was had by all!



















Serve

Upcoming Events





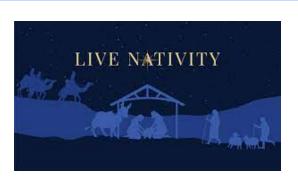
As the holiday season approaches, the time that our church shines the brightest is upon us. First up, are the Thanksgiving "Baskets". I met with Dave Humphrey of the Yorktown Food Pantry and we have agreed that the grocery store gift cards are the best way for the pantry to do what they do. They ask that the gift cards be in the amount of \$25. That does not mean that we all need to give that amount, but if you purchase any gift cards on your own for this giving event, please make each gift card in the amount of \$25. Acme. Stop&Shop, and Shop Rite are



October Recap

October Recap: Our booth at the Fall Festival at the JV Mall on October 9th was a big hit. Thanks to everyone who helped with set up and take down, everyone who staffed the booth, and all who stopped by to say hello. We think it is very important that we have a presence in the community and show our neighbors who we are, and we did that well.

all good. Please put the gift card in an envelope and put it in the plate with your Sunday offering by **November** Please include the gift card receipt and your name and envelope number. If you do not want to purchase a gift card yourself, Outreach will do it for you, and any amount that you can give will help. Please indicate on your weekly envelope or your online giving, how much is intended for the Yorktown Food Pantry. You can also mail it to St. Andrews. As always, thank you for your generosity, and for feeding the needy at Thanksgiving!



Drive Thru Nativity

Our Drive Thru Christmas Nativity will take place **Saturday December 17th**, with a rehearsal the afternoon before. This event needs your help, there is a job for everyone!

January 2023

San Lucas Toliman Mission Trip

Secondly, our church's 2nd mission trip to San Lucas Toliman Guatemala is coming up in January. We have 9 people signed up! Pray for this group, pray for our church as we grow in our faith!



Friends of San Lucas

Celebrations





November Birthdays

- 1 Eleanor Clark
- 1 Hayden Behen
- 2 Michelle Grossman
- 3 Justin Rodriguez
- 3 Sean Muller
- 4 Meagan Hopkins
- 6 Susan Hamm
- 6 Perry Shepard Sr.
- 6 Finnley Wheeler
- 7 Dan Greco
- 8 Taylor Leaver
- 10 Virginia Steinberg
- 10 John Markiewicz Jr.
- 10 David Grossman
- 11 Taylor Frickmann
- 11 Angelo Letizia
- 11 Angela Shepard
- 14 Lisa Billingsley
- 15 Eric Walter
- 15 Sarah Dockweiler
- 15 Alessandro Cuniberti
- 15 Ava Justo
- 16 Perry Shepard Jr.
- 16 Jenna Grutzmacher
- 17 Carl Maus
- 18 Melissa Magrath
- 18 Malcolm Thomas

November Anniversaries

10 Joyce & Chau Vo

11 Lynn & Richard Ruzicka

12 Beverly & Richard Finger

21 Jeanne & John Delgado

28 Margaret & Fred Hauck

Baptism

Tucker Capicchioni

Son of Ashley and Bobby

born on May 26, 2022

- 19 Linda Henning
- 19 Meribelle Stringham
- 19 Isabella Manfredi
- 20 Hannah Shepard
- 20 Elizabeth Dockweiler
- 21 Patrick Kelly
- 21 William Van Aken
- 21 Cynthia Clark
- 21 Thomas Hamm
- 23 Connor Kuhhorn
- 24 Betty Markiewicz
- 24 Michael Labriola
- 25 Suzanne Volpato
- 27 Natalie Johnsen
- 30 Scott Difini

Give online

Financial

YEAR-TO-DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY -		SEPTEMBER		
	2022	2019 *	Difference	2021
Contributions	\$ 133,200	\$ 141,900	\$ (8,700)	\$ 147,600
Rental Income	6,400	50,400	(44,000)	28,200
Other Income	12,100	3,000	9,100	10,800
Total Income	151,700	195,300	(43,600)	186,600
Expenses (Budget-\$198,000)	196,000	193,100	2,900	176,900
(Deficit)/Surplus	\$ (44,300)	\$ 2,200	\$ (46,500)	\$ 9,700
New lease related costs \$ 32,800 (not included above) (fence-9.5, fire alarm-9.0, floor-5.2, couches-4.0,				
lawyer-2.2, electrical-0.9, other-2.0)				
* presented to show the last normal "pre-Covid" period				

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