



The Bagpiper



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Suffolk, Virginia

July & August 2024

MAKE PEACE – A COMBINED CLASS FOR ADULTS IN JULY

Jesus leads us to a peace that is both a deep sense of the holy presence in our souls AND the hard work of peacemaking in the everyday world. This July we'll explore the biblical basis for nurturing peace within us and in the world.



The class will meet in Room 204 on the second floor of the education building at 11:00 immediately after worship.

CrossWalk, St. Andrew's Sunday morning program for children, will be taking July and August off and will return in September; no classes for adults/youth in August.

~Beth Lyon-Suhring, Director of Christian Education

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP AT ST. ANDREW

Please join us for the following social events at St. Andrew this summer:

July 7th (before and after the service): Please join us for light refreshments either before or after the service to encourage fellowship (or come to both!)

August 4th following the service:



The Fellowship Committee will be hosting our annual cookout of hotdogs, sides and dessert.

Please join us for food and fellowship. (No church school in August)

We hope that you will join us at each of these fellowship events.

*~ The Fellowship Committee:
Angel Henkel, Amy Gray, and Angela Martin*

Church Nursery Volunteers Needed

We are recruiting volunteers for the church nursery. Our summer schedule is online. If you can help, please contact **Carol Wilson** at (757) 621-5009 or carolwilson8266@gmail.com. She will sign you up or send you the link. Thank you.

~Carol Wilson, Christian Education

BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACK COLLECTION

The Mission and Service Committee is asking for your help in collecting backpacks and other school supplies for distribution to local students in time for the start of school. **Help us reach our goal of 50 backpacks** for kids in need--from pre-kindergarten to high school. In addition to backpacks, we are focusing on collecting headphones (with cords) for students of all ages. **There will be a collection bin in the Atrium from July 14 through August 18.**



Other school supplies may be donated, but *most needed items* are backpacks, headphones, composition notebooks (no spiral), glue sticks, liquid glue, highlighters, Expo dry erase markers, color markers, crayons, scientific calculators, combination locks, and 3 ring binders. Thank you for helping local students have a great start to their school year!

~Karen Topping, Mission & Service

LADIES NIGHT OUT

The Presbyterian Women of St. Andrew have planned two socials for women this summer:

➤ Please join us for a fellowship dinner at Gianna's Pizzeria & Italian Ristorante on Harbour Towne Pkwy in Suffolk on **Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 6:00pm**. Gianna's is always a crowd pleaser and we have a great time with fellowship and good food. All women of St. Andrew (and family & friends) are invited to attend. You may RSVP on the sign-up sheet posted at the Kiosk in the Atrium or by emailing Martha (carthamole@aol.com) or Sylvia (sgryder42@gmail.com). Please sign-up by noon on Sunday, July 7, so Martha can notify the restaurant.

➤ A second summer social is planned for **August 20** at a private home. Details will follow in the Sunday bulletins.

Even if you are not active in Presbyterian Women, all ladies are welcome to share in these fellowship activities.

~Loyce Bryan, PW Moderator

Dear Friends,

“Be still and know that I am God.” (Psalm 46:10)

The invitation to be still is a tall order these days. We are people on the go, with errands to run, work to be done, needs to be met, and ever-growing “to-do” lists that keep us more than busy. To be still and to embrace silence is a lost art. On this very subject, one of my favorite authors, Joan Chittister, writes,

“Quiet has become a phantom memory in this culture..... There are loudspeakers in boats now, so the lake is not safe. There are rock concerts in the countryside now, so the mountains are not safe. There are telephones in bathrooms now, so the shower is not safe. Corporate offices are now beehives of cubicles, cheek by jowl.

We don’t think anymore; we simply listen.

The problem is that we are so deluged by sound that we are accustomed to listening only to things outside of ourselves, however vacuous the message, however pointless the talk.”

We are so deluged by sound that finding time and space to be still and listen to God is almost impossible. Jesus sets us a very good example on numerous occasions in the gospels. Much as he was surrounded by people wherever he went, and for all the demands that were made of him, Jesus always found time to go to a quiet place and pray. Surely it was in the quiet moments, when all other noise was silenced, that Jesus drew strength to continue to do all that was asked of him by those with whom he came into contact.

We can hardly claim to be so busy that we do not have time to “Be still and know I am God.” In fact, we may find that in the stillness there is renewal and time to recharge our batteries so that we are all the better prepared and equipped to face the demands of each new day.

And in the stillness, we also leave room for God, God’s word, God’s wisdom, God’s guidance.

May you follow the example of Jesus and find time for rest and renewal, and above all, may you find time for God.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Gillian

EVENING PRAYER ON ZOOM

Please join **Pastor Gillian** for Evening Prayers on Zoom in July and August at 6:30 (no meetings on July 9 or August 15). These thirty minutes of scripture, music, and prayer will help refocus our hearts and minds on the God who calls us beloved. **Beth Lyon-Suhring** sends out the Zoom invitation by email. If you are not receiving this email each week and would like to be included, please contact Beth at lyonsuhring@hotmail.com.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

May 30, 2024 Stated Meeting

- Completed a thorough review of a Solar Project Proposal forwarded to Session by the Diaconate at the April Stated Meeting. While endorsing the positive benefit of providing all our energy needs with clean, solar generated power and the potential long-term investment value of the project, the Session unanimously agreed to table further action on the Solar Project Proposal until after the church mortgage is renegotiated next spring and we can see a clear path to closing 2025 with a balanced budget.
- Approved the request from the Fellowship Committee to host refreshments after worship on July 7th and the Annual Church Cookout on August 4th.
- Approved the request from the Mission & Service Committee to use \$1,500 from the Employee Retention Credit earmark to supplement the budgeted amount for the Rise Against Hunger event in October.
- Approved the request from the Property Committee to proceed with award of a contract to replace the failed roof-top HVAC unit servicing St. Andrew Hall to Hobbs Mechanical for \$16,474.44. This significant capital replacement will be funded with a distribution from the General Endowment Fund as recommended by the Endowment Committee in February.

~David Mckercher, Clerk of Session

CAPS is Hiring

Coalition Against Poverty in Suffolk (CAPS) is hiring for two positions, a Church Night Stay Facilitator and a Director. Those interested in applying will find the position descriptions at www.capsuffolk.org under the Get Involved tab. Please pray for those whom God is calling to fill these vitally needed positions.

~David Mckercher

AUDIO/VISUAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have any experience running (or are you interested in learning more about) sound and video equipment? The St. Andrew Audio & Visual (AV) Team runs the audio and video equipment during worship services at St. Andrew Presbyterian. The AV Team is looking to schedule a team of volunteers during the Sunday service to run the sound board, set-up microphones and sound monitors, run the video projector, and operate the video equipment used for streaming our worship services on Facebook. AV Team volunteers may also be needed at other special services that take place at St. Andrew Presbyterian, including pre-school events, weddings, funerals, etc. **We are especially in need of AV Team volunteers that are not already participating in the church's music groups.** No previous experience is necessary. If you're interested in being on the AV Team, please contact **Al Reese** (music.standrewpres@gmail.com) or **Bob Boyle** (boylejr@yahoo.com) to learn more about this new volunteer opportunity.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



PW Fall Bible Study:

The 2024-2025 Bible study will begin on Sept. 10. The study is titled *Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and all Creation* by Patricia Tull. If you want **Sandy Poole** to order your study book, put a check in her SACP

mailbox for \$11 payable to St. Andrew Presbyterian Women, note "Bible study book," by July 28.

PW Yearbook Update:

Look for PW representatives in the Atrium on July 14 and July 21 for new member sign-ups and for current members to review and update their contact information for the Yearbook.

~Loyce Bryan, PW Moderator

SUFFOLK CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTER

Clothing donations due on July 21 & August 18

St. Andrew continues to collect donations of clothing, in addition to food, for the SCFC. The Center is requesting clothing and shoes with a particular emphasis on items for men. In addition, blankets,

bedding, linens and towels would be greatly appreciated. Donated items can be brought to St. Andrew on the 3rd Sunday of each month and placed in the same area as the food that is collected and delivered to SCFC. If you have any questions, please contact **Danny Lovell** or **Rob Estes**.

PRAYERS & SQUARES

Come join the Prayers and Squares group to create quilts and to enjoy time with friends. We will be meeting only once in July and once in August. Our summer meeting dates are **Friday July 19, and Friday August 16** at 10:00am in St Andrew Hall. If you need assistance with a project before the meeting dates, please call Frances. Please bring whatever project you have and are working on to the meetings. There are quilts that need quilting and ties to be added. There are also quilt kits that need to be machine sewn. We are continuing to create quilts to give to the Angel Tree project in December. If you sew and just want to work at home, we can share fabric and patterns with you.

If you would like to request a prayer quilt for a friend or family member, please complete a request form and put in **Frances Jornov's** box or contact her at francesjrnv@charter.net or 757-646-8955. There are many completed quilts in our closet ready to be dedicated and given. Also, there are Pocket Prayer Squares in the atrium that you may take to include in a card or give to someone. Say a prayer, tie a knot and pass it to your friend or relative.

Would you like to learn to sew and make quilts? Come to a meeting and Frances will get you started. Give Frances a call if you want more details or have questions.

Come join us-you don't have to sew--we need help putting the ties into the quilts, pressing fabric, layering quilts and straightening the fabric shelves. And don't forget we do enjoy the visiting! Looking forward to seeing your smiling faces!

~Frances Jornov

Dear St. Andrew family,
Thank you for all the prayers and cards I received during my recovery from partial hip replacement.

Lois Taylor



MEET OUR GRADUATES

Congratulations to the following St. Andrew members:

High School

➤ **Joy Luck**, daughter Jeff & Jody Luck, graduated with a high school degree from the Renaissance School of the Arts in Suffolk. Joy plans to attend a community college next year and will then transfer to a university to pursue Kinesiology degree.

College & Beyond

- **Charles Cutler**, son of Angela Martin & Jimmy Cutler, graduated from VCU in Richmond, VA, with a Master of Science in Computer Science.
- **Michelle Endrusick**, daughter of Tom Endrusick and Rhonda Endrusick, graduated from William & Mary University in Williamsburg, VA with a BS in Kinesiology and a minor in Chemistry. Michelle is now preparing to take the medical school entrance exam (MCAT) while working in a doctor's office to gain some experience. She will then apply to medical school.
- **Sydney Gregg**, daughter of Kevin & Heather Gregg, graduated in December 2023 from the University of Tennessee with a BA in Anthropology and a minor in Archaeology.
- **Jody Luck**, wife of Jeff Luck, graduated from Brightpoint College in Chester, VA. Her degree is Bereavement and Grief Counseling, CSC (Professional Certification). Her future plans include Community Care grief services.
- **Andrew Stephenson**, son of Peter & Kim Stephenson, graduated in December 2023 from Old Dominion University with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering Technology. He is currently working at Newport News Shipyard as a structural engineer.



September Bagpiper info is due on August 18.

SOUP KITCHEN

Thursdays, July 18 & August 15

Salvation Army; Bank Street, Suffolk

Cupcakes needed at St. Andrew by 9:30am

St. Andrew continues to prepare and serve the meals at the Salvation Army in downtown Suffolk. There continues to be a lower attendance since the Salvation Army started serving meals inside again.



Cupcakes are still needed; extras can be given out during other activities at the Salvation Army. Thank you for your support by continuing to provide cupcakes each month.

SAVE THE DATE

CAPS BBQ FUNDRAISER

Sunday, September 15

Please plan to join your St. Andrew family and folks from many other Suffolk churches at the **Coalition Against Poverty in Suffolk (CAPS)** Annual Fundraiser Dinner on Sunday, September 15th. The meal again will be catered by Capt. Bob's of Edenton, NC and will include, BBQ, fried chicken, coleslaw, hushpuppies. Tickets are \$16 each. The meal will be served carry-out only at Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church at 3488 Godwin Blvd. in Suffolk from 11 AM until 2 PM. The food is guaranteed to be plentiful and delicious as always. Tickets can be purchased online at www.capsuffolk.org/bbq at any time or Sundays at church beginning in August. If you have a scheduling conflict that Sunday but would like to support the CAPS mission, consider a cash donation which will provide meals for Suffolk First Responders. Thank you for supporting this vital ministry that serves our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Suffolk.

~David McKercher

IN SYMPATHY

➤ **Tom Rader**, a former St. Andrew member, passed away in Winchester, VA on June 2, 2024. Please remember in prayers his daughter, Margee Milliser (who sang in St. Andrew's choir for many years), and his son, Rex Rader, and Tom's other family and friends.

➤ Please remember in prayer **Kim & Peter Stephenson** & family; Kim's mother, Nancy Barrick, passed away on June 21, 2024.



St. Andrew Presbyterian Church Finance Report
for Year-to-Date 5/31/24

| | <u>Apr Amt</u> | <u>YTD Actuals</u> | <u>YTD Budget</u> | |
|---|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Income | \$38,733 | \$195,507 | \$217,438 | |
| <u>Expenses</u> | <u>\$40,307</u> | <u>\$193,639</u> | \$220,336 | |
| Net | -\$1,574 | \$1,868 | | |
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| <u>Current Assets</u> | | | | <u>Endowment Funds</u> |
| Bank Accounts | \$172,780 | | | General |
| Ed Jones Inv. | <u>\$157,161</u> | | | Mission |
| Total Current Assets | \$329,941 | | | Tot Endowment |
| | | | | \$477,680 |
| | | | | \$193,650 |
| | | | | \$671,330 |
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| <u>Current Liabilities</u> | | | | <u>Mortgage</u> |
| Other Liabilities | \$4,785 | | | Balance |
| Earmarks | <u>\$181,191</u> | | | Monthly Amt |
| Tot Current Liabilities | \$185,975 | | | \$437,265 |
| | | | | \$5,200 |
| | | | | |
| Net (Current Assets – Current Liabilities) | | | | \$143,966 |

Our monthly income for May fell below our monthly expenses by \$1,574, and our year-to-date (YTD) Income was below the amount that we budgeted for income by more than \$20,000. Thankfully, Our YTD expenses were also below what we had budgeted. Therefore, we show a small positive YTD net income of \$1,868. The shortfall in our income versus what we budgeted is concerning and we should do all that we can to reduce that deficit. To help reduce the deficit, we have recently taken steps to increase our interest income with a money market account at Towne Bank to augment our CD account at Edward Jones. Together, they will generate about \$1,000 per month. Because of the failure of one of our HVAC units, we will withdraw about \$16,000 from the General Endowment Fund to cover replacement costs.

~Finance & Stewardship Committee

SANCTUARY FLOWERS



Thank you very much to everyone that has been able help with the sanctuary flowers; they make a lovely addition to the service! If you appreciate seeing flowers on Sunday morning, please consider helping by either signing up in the Flower Book at the Kiosk, or if you are more of a last-minute person, just call or text and we will work something out. Many flowers are purchased, but if you have a green thumb and something in your garden to share, that is equally appreciated. There is also the option to put something in the bulletin if you would like to have flowers in honor or memory of someone or a special occasion. If the flowers are not being picked up

after church, they will be taken to brighten someone's day! As always, if you have any questions or need any assistance getting flowers, don't hesitate to reach out to **Deborah Banks** at 757-647-9157.





JULY BIRTHDAYS

| | |
|-----------------------|----|
| Cliff Barr | 1 |
| Ashley Newman | 1 |
| Luke Prince | 1 |
| Amy Gray | 4 |
| Phil Poe | 4 |
| Liza Tucker | 4 |
| Evan Walker | 4 |
| Evelyn Seymour | 8 |
| Aaron Carnegie | 9 |
| Hap Chester | 9 |
| Patti Ashe | 11 |
| Sarah Baurle | 12 |
| Susan Cox | 13 |
| Amber Gwaltney | 13 |
| Matthew Holt | 13 |
| Camryn Holt | 13 |
| Abigail Ryan | 13 |
| Brent Fraser | 14 |
| Lois Taylor | 15 |
| Joe Robb | 16 |
| Sheryl Senter | 16 |
| RC Stone | 16 |
| Kaitlin Perry | 17 |
| Cammy Fraser | 18 |
| Gary Meyers | 18 |
| Erik Hamilton | 19 |
| Mary Catherine Foster | 20 |
| Cade Franklin | 20 |
| Andrew Gibbs | 20 |
| Lorraine Fitchett | 20 |
| Julie Anderson | 21 |
| Susan King | 22 |
| Rachel Edmondson | 25 |
| Linwood Hanbury | 26 |
| Steven Jenkins | 26 |
| Wendy Phelps | 27 |
| Jennifer Stone | 29 |



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Karen Topping | 2 |
| Ben Livermon | 4 |
| Rhonda MacMelville | 5 |
| Ella Millaci | 5 |
| Joy Roberts | 6 |
| Sharon Newhard | 9 |
| Cam Ebel | 10 |
| Julia Pratt | 10 |
| Charles Foster | 11 |
| Anna Hamilton | 11 |
| Patti Archer | 12 |
| Carey Hayslett | 13 |
| Jim Pratt | 13 |
| Lindsay Steele | 13 |
| Rick Martin | 14 |
| Kevin Gregg | 15 |
| Emma Willis | 15 |
| Jack Ellenor | 17 |
| Steve Korahaes | 17 |
| Tammera Missel | 19 |
| John K. Smith | 19 |
| Lori Babyak | 20 |
| Gus Spanos | 20 |
| Bobbie Richards | 22 |
| Laura Gibbs | 23 |
| David Gwaltney | 23 |
| Heather Gregg | 25 |
| Hannah Johnson | 26 |
| Kim Stone | 27 |
| Kathy Romanczyk | 28 |
| Charles Elmore | 29 |
| Clyde Harper | 30 |



JULY ANNIVERSARIES


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|----|---------------------------|
| 1 | Neil & Carol Wilson |
| 6 | Cal & Dottie Vann |
| 10 | Neil & Meggan Schoenberg |
| 13 | Kyle & Emily Madden |
| 13 | Joey & Dawn Parrish |
| 16 | Dennis & Margaret Gartman |
| 19 | Charles & Gwen Elmore |
| 19 | Howard & Martha Goodwin |
| 20 | Jim & Sandra Burkhart |
| 20 | Rhett & Bonnie Franklin |
| 20 | David & Denise McAlpine |
| 25 | Raymond & Jennifer Henson |
| 26 | Hunter & Trudy Webb |
| 28 | Drew & Gwen Johansen |



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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|----|-------------------------|
| 3 | Jeff & Ginger Medrano |
| 6 | Warren & Leslie White |
| 7 | Mike & Lori Babyak |
| 8 | Buddy & Marie Dye |
| 8 | John & Deborah Wyld |
| 15 | Rick & Shirley Martin |
| 17 | Brent & Cammy Fraser |
| 17 | Kevin & Tammera Missel |
| 20 | Gary & Mary Meyers |
| 20 | Wayne & Carole Prince |
| 25 | Robert & Colleen Ausman |
| 25 | Kevin & Heather Gregg |
| 25 | Phil & Joyce Poe |
| 26 | Steve & Sandy Poole |


If you have a birthday or anniversary that is not listed or is listed incorrectly, please contact the church office at 757-238-3550 or standrew@standrewpres.us

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| | <p>1 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 10:00 – 11:00 Stephen Ministry Book Study, library 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB*</p> | <p>2 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom</p> | <p>3 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH*</p> | <p>4 Office Closed</p> | <p>5</p> | <p>6 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB*</p> |
| <p>7 10:00 Worship Service; Communion 11:00 Adult Church School Refreshments before & after service</p> | <p>8 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB*</p> | <p>9 No Evening Prayer 6:00 Presbyterian Women sponsored Ladies' Night Out dinner at Gianna's</p> | <p>10 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* Noon Widows Walk; library</p> | <p>11</p> | <p>12 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheel</p> | <p>13 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB*</p> |
| <p>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed, Thur: 9:30 – 1:30</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>14 10:00 Worship Service, Joyful Noise Offering Received 11:00 Adult Church School Backpack/School Supplies Collection Begins</p> | <p>15 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB*</p> | <p>16 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom</p> | <p>17 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH*</p> | <p>18 Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, Bank Street, Suffolk</p> | <p>19 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheels 10:00 – noon Prayers & Squares, SAH*</p> | <p>20 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB*</p> |
| <p>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed, Thur: 9:30 – 1:30</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>21 10:00 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Church School SCFC* Clothing Donations Due</p> | <p>22 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB*</p> | <p>23 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom</p> | <p>24 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* Noon Widows Walk; library</p> | <p>25 6:30 Diaconate/Session, SAH*</p> | <p>26 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheels</p> | <p>27 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB*</p> |
| <p>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed, Thur: 9:30 – 1:30</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>28 10:00 Worship Service 11:00 Adult Church School</p> | <p>29 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB*</p> | <p>30 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom</p> | <p>31 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH*</p> |  | | |
| <p>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed: 9:30 – 1:30</p> | | | | | | |

*Christian Education Building (CEB)

*St. Andrew Hall (SAH)

*Suffolk Christian Fellowship Center (SCFC)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 4 10:00 Worship Service; Communion No Church School 11:00 Cookout | 5 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB* | 6 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom <u>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed, Thur: 9:30 – 1:30</u> | 7 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* | 8 |
| 11 10:00 Worship Service No Church School | 12 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB* | 13 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom <u>Preschool Camp, Tues, Wed, Thur: 9:30 – 1:30</u> | 14 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* Noon Widows Walk; library 7:00 Chancel Choir practice resumes | 15 Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, Bank Street, Suffolk 6:30 Diaconate & Session, SAH* | 16 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheels 10:00 – noon Prayers & Squares, SAH* | 17 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB* |
| 18 10:00 Worship Service No Church School <u>Backpacks/School Supplies Due</u> SCFC* Clothing Donations Due <u>September Bagpiper Info Due</u> | 19 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB* | 20 No Evening Prayer Presbyterian Women sponsored fellowship dinner; Time/location TBD | 21 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 7:00 Chancel Choir | 22 | 23 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheels | 24 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB* |
| 25 10:00 Worship Service No Church School | 26 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* 10:00 Stitching, CEB* 7:00 AA & AI-Anon, Alateen – CEB* | 27 6:30 Evening Prayer on Zoom | 28 9:00 – 10:00 Yoga, SAH* Noon Widows Walk; library 7:00 Chancel Choir | 29 | 30 St. Andrew Volunteers Deliver Meals on Wheels | 31 8:30 – 10:30 12-Step Group, CEB* |

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*St. Andrew Hall (SAH)

*Suffolk Christian Fellowship Center (SCFC)

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LOOKING AHEAD

- Sept 8 Rally Day
- Sept 9 Presbyterian Men Dinner/Meeting
- Sept 10 Presbyterian Women 2025 – 26 Horizon’s Bible Study Begins
- Sept 11 Kirk Night Begins
- Sept 15 CAPS BBQ Fundraiser

Bible Quiz



What musical instrument is mentioned in the final poem of Psalms as a means to praise the Lord?

- A. brass
- B. percussion
- C. strings
- D. woodwinds
- E. all of the above

Answer: See Psalm 150:3-5

Bible Quiz



What kind of birds does God use to supply Elijah with food at the Kerith Ravine?

- A. quails
- B. ravens
- C. eagles
- D. doves

Answer: See 1 Kings 17:2-6

MUSIC NOTES FROM AL

In June, I attended a week-long Worship and Music conference put on by the Presbyterian Association of Musicians in Montreat, NC. It is amazing what happens when 500+ church musicians get together! We had 7 services (6 worship, and a hymn festival) as well as 2 concerts. There was maximum participation among the attendees (to say the least!) and it was great to connect and reconnect with folks across the country. I rang a lot of bells, and played a lot of trumpet! I look forward to using some of those experiences to enhance our worship music...

I wanted to say a quick 'thank you' to all those folks that participate in the music ministry here at St. Andrew – the Chancel Choir (about 20 people), our 'Combo' (up to 8) and the Celebration Ringers (12) plus a few more instrumentalists that happily volunteer their time when asked – I am so very thankful that so many people are willing to be so involved in the musical ministry. Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU!

The Chancel Choir and Celebration Ringers will be taking a respite during the summer, but the Combo will continue to lend their talents to help me lead the music on a weekly basis.

Would you like to be involved with the music program at St. Andrew but feel that you can't make a commitment to the weekly schedule? We are flexible and would welcome your participation as regularly as you are able to sing in the choir or add your instrument (or voice!) to the combo.

There is still room in the Chancel Choir, the Bell Choir and the Combo. If you are interested in sharing your talents, please contact me (Al Reese) at (757) 416-2478 or music.standrewpres@gmail.com

The Chancel Choir will resume rehearsing on Wednesday, August 14 at 7:00pm in the choir room – the handbell start-up will be announced later, and the Combo is on-going!

See you in worship!
Al Reese, Music Director