



ST. ANDREW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

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Adult Bible Study, Tuesdays 1:30 PM: • Morning Worship: 10:30 AM • Children's Church 10:30 AM
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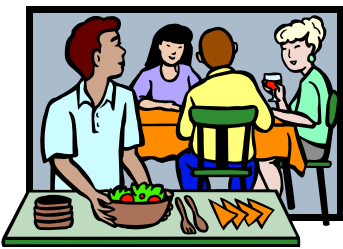
K. Darlene Payne, Pastor

Marietta J. Martin, Ministry Assistant

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COMMUNITY DINNER



September 19

4:30 to 7 p.m.

\$7 for adults

\$4 for children 12 and under

The menu will include beans and cornbread, garden salad, dessert, and drinks.

We need help on Prep Night (Thursday @ 5:30 p.m.) as well as the night of the dinner. Please come and share your talents.



Have you thought about singing in the choir? We always encourage new singers to join us. We began rehearsals for the fall season on Wednesday, September 3, 7 p.m.

The mission of the Choir is to lead the congregation in worship through anthems of praise and prayer, expressing (on behalf of everyone) our love and devotion to God.

Please consider being a part of this ministry.

Greetings in the Name of the Lord:

Whose Job is Evangelism? One thing is certain about evangelism: both non-Christians and Christians feel uncomfortable with it. Bring up the topic of religion (let alone the gospel) with your unbelieving workmates, and the atmosphere suddenly tenses up. It's as if spiritual matters are out of place in a professional setting.

Do you find some of your coworkers or neighbors totally uninterested in the Christian faith? Are some even openly hostile? Have you become a target for their venom?

Jesus called us to be His witnesses (Acts 1:6-8), but that is not a call to convert others. Conversion is the responsibility of the Holy Spirit (John 16:8-11). That means that we need not measure our success in witnessing by the number who respond. If that were the case, Jesus would have often been considered a failure: many who heard Him—and even some who followed Him—turned out to be uninterested (John 6:60-66).

The fact is that people are in various conditions, when it comes to spiritual matters, as Jesus' story of the four kinds of soils illustrates (Mark 4:3-20). One thing we as "farmers" can't do is change the soil. But we can offer good seed and do the best we can to nurture whatever faith sprouts up (1 Cor. 3:7-9). One way to do that is by continually working out our faith in day-to-day life (James 2:14-26), making it available for others to consider rather than hiding it (Mark 4:21-23). How others react is between them and God.

That's not to suggest that we should be detached or uncaring about others and their responses. Scripture challenges us to love others as we have been loved. One way is to make available to them our experience of faith—and make ourselves available to God to be used with anybody, anywhere, anytime.

We ought to avoid the trap of evaluating our faith by how others respond to us. The Spirit of God converts people—we don't. If we do, our converts are on shaky ground. The story is told of an evangelist traveling on an airplane who sat across the aisle from a noisy drunk. After watching the fellow carry on for a while, the minister's seatmate turned and sarcastically remarked, "I understand he's one of your converts!"

The evangelist replied, "Must be. If he were God's, he wouldn't act that way."

The Holy Spirit is the great evangelist, but Scripture also urges us to work with the Spirit in influencing others with the gospel.

Evangelism, then, is a cooperative effort between the Holy Spirit and those of us who follow Christ. As we interact with our associates, we should consider: How is the Spirit working in this person, and how can I contribute to the process? We can act like farmers, sometimes sowing new seeds, other times watering what someone else has planted. Occasionally we must root out an offensive weed left by someone else. But always our objective should be to reap a harvest to the glory of God (John 4:34-38; 1 Cor. 3:5-7).

Pastor Darlene



Bart Barnard, Bill and Lorraine Bay, **Al Blumenberg**, Martha Ann Boyer, Jane Broadwater, Steve & Carol Brown, Elaine Bryant, Chaplain Jim & Margaret Carter, Marlene "Molly" Chapman, Amy Clark, Beverly Clark, Tommy Clark, Douglas Crocker, Bob & Paula Cunningham, Matt De Clue, Mary Drake, Carol Easter, Renee Evans, Mike Farris, Rachel Gibbs, Betty Greenlee, Joe Greenstreet, Mary Greenstreet, Barbara Hanna, **Jeremy Haegele**, Zachary Handy, **Tom Hatton**, Rich Hessler, Geral Hill, Sarah House, Doris & Herbert Hubbard, Marvin & Judy Hunter, **Linda Hurd**, Mary Jinkerson, Geraldine Johnson, **Ted & Ivy Kim & Roberta Rose**, Mike Klaus, Dixie Klein, Mike Klomfas, Macunhe UMC, Gene Martin, Keith Mason, Tiny Medcalf, Patty Melton, Louise Myers, Bob Miller, Betty Mueller, Barbara Myers, Thomas Estus Nicholas, Matt Owens, Brian Parmeley, **Stacia Parmeley**, Amy Pressey, Cole Propst, Tom Pruitte, Glenn Randall, Zach Rasse, Betty Ray, Dennis Reynolds, Marie Rhodes, Shelley Robinson, Syria Romano, **Nancy Rosevink**, Tommy Scharfenberger, Michelle Schott, Laura Schweitzer, Matthew Scott, Patsy Shy, Jim Smith, Lucas Smith, Mari Anne Sutton, Eric Thuer, Nancy Stichling Thuer, Vinney Timmerman, **Penny Tiwari**, Maureen Touchstone, Linda Twomey, **Bruce Valle**, Margie Walker, **Edna Walters**, Kirk Weber, Megan Wheeler, Mary Lou Whittemore, Addie Wiggins, Norma Wiley, Boytt & Marian Willis, June Wilson, Chuck Wintermute, Mary Winterton, Carolyn Wolfe, Chuck Zimmermann, Mary Zimmermann, unspoken requests.

Our service personnel: Paul Case, Caleb Huskey, Michael & Sherri Monroe, JP Parkin & family, Keith Wakeland, Chris Weaton, Dereck Wilson

THANKS

I want to thank you for the many expressions of love conveyed for my birthday.
—Pastor Darlene

QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS HERE

Hope United Church of Christ is having a quilt raffle. The drawing will be at the close of the Get Healthy De Soto Home Tour in November. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. The quilt is 80" x 80" square, "Dancing Fans." Tickets are available in our Church Office. You do not have to be present to win.

SILENT AUCTION PLANNED

Sarah Doremus Circle will be organizing a silent auction for this November as our final fund raiser for this year. All monies will go to mission work.

The silent auction will run for four weeks, beginning the first Sunday, November 2, and ending Sunday, November 23, after church. Items will be displayed in our Fellowship Hall for bidding.

These items should be of "gift quality," so if you have new or very gently used items to donate, please drop them off in the classroom (across from Fellowship Hall) anytime during October.

Offered services will also be gladly accepted and will be displayed as well.

If you have questions, please call 586-4092.

—Thank you, Jan Stichling

*The Children of Leta Potter Duffin,
Jim Adams, Tracy Adams Gregg,
Nelson Adams,
Would like to greet you
and share memories
of their mother
during a memorial reception
Saturday, September 20,
2 to 4 p.m.*

Pecan Orders for Fall 2014

Sarah Doremus Circle is again selling shelled, cold storage pecans as our Fall fund raiser to fund our mission projects. They are 1 pound bags available at last year's prices: medium pieces \$9.50, large halves \$10.

Order sheets will be in Fellowship Hall or you may call the church office, 586-2472.

In Christ's love, Terry Neckermann

Food Shelf



Donations were 200 items. Contributions to De Soto Ministerial Alliance, \$50. Reported by Bobby and Phyllis Fisher.

Food Pantry Needs

Thank you for your generous summer donations for our local food pantry. Many are pitching in to make an increased difference from St. Andrew's. Thank you. Please note the upcoming items suggested from our congregation this month.

Sept. 14 — Jello

Sept. 21 — Spaghetti Sauce (plastic jars & cans)

Sept. 28 — Canned Vegetables

—Terry Neckermann, Nurture Committee



A TRIBUTE TO THE BIBLE

God's Word is the traveler's map, the pilot's compass, the pilgrim's staff, the soldier's sword, and the believer's log.

The Bible contains light to direct you, comfort to console you, food to sustain you, wisdom to teach you, fire to warm you.

Our next session will be on September 16. If you have read our monthly notices, you have observed that we have been studying in the Book of Luke. We are currently on chapter 16. We are meeting most Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. We have hour sessions. Come join us for a time of discussion and learning from God's word.



**Fellowship Dinner
after Worship, Sept. 21
Bring dishes to share.**

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES
SERVING GOD**

Liturgists:

Sept. 14 Joe Wilson
 Sept. 21 Marsha Greenstreet
 Sept. 28 Marsha Foster

SERVING OTHERS

Fellowship Hosts/Hostesses:

Sept. 14 Rick & Ann Costello
 Sept. 21 Fellowship Dinner
 Sept. 28 Phyllis & Bobby Fisher

Communion Steward:

Oct. 5 Marsha Greenstreet

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offerings and Worship Attendance

Aug. 17	General Fund	2691.63	101
	Designated	100.00	
Aug. 24	General Fund	921.48	100
	Designated	161.80	
Aug. 31	General Fund	2165.00	74
	Building Fund	400.00	
	Designated	486.50	
Sept. 7	General Fund	2222.36	82
	Designated	25.00	
	Memorial Fund	620.00	



**COMMUNITY
ANNOUNCEMENT**



Valle Ambulance District is presenting informational seminars and training at a LUNCH and LEARN event. They are asking that we join them. It is

an opportunity to meet your local EMS providers, learn something that may save your life or the life of a loved one and to enjoy a meal!

Thursday, September 25: Strokes
 Wednesday, October 15: Basic First Aid

All sessions are from 11 am to 1 pm at 12363 State Route 21, De Soto, MO. Call to reserve your place. 636-586-2132.

Get Healthy De Soto
 Dance with Powerhouse Band
 KC Hall \$15 ea., table of 8 \$100
 October 11, for new DFM Structure Building Fund
 7 to 11 p.m.

SUGAR MOON
 Featured at

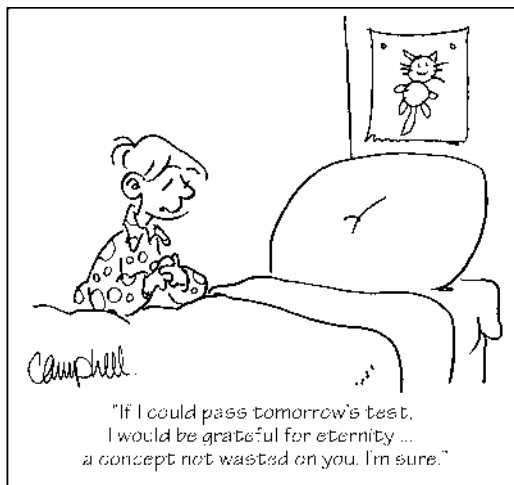
Coyol
 September 11, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
 October 9, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Lorenzo's
 September 13, 6-9 p.m.
 September 25, 6-9 p.m. Mel Bay Jazz Festival

FoJo's
 September 26, 5-6 p.m. Mel Bay Jazz Festival

La Pachanga—Herculaneum
 October 17, 5-8 p.m.

Fountain City Grill
 October 18, 6-9 p.m.

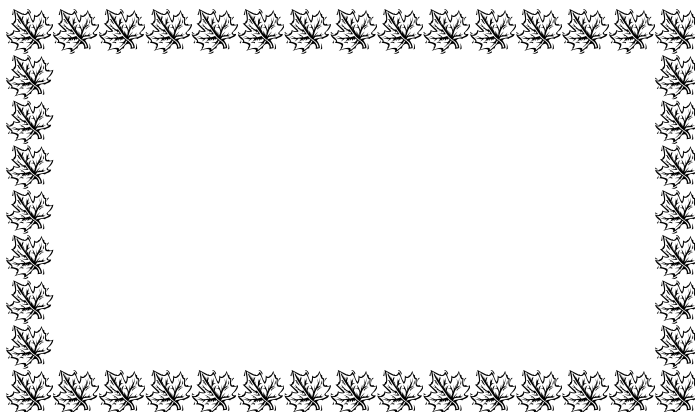


"If I could pass tomorrow's test, I would be grateful for eternity ... a concept not wasted on you, I'm sure."

OCTOBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>10:30 a.m. morning worship</p> <p>10:30 a.m. children's Church/ Sunday School</p>			<p>1</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7 pm</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Debby Campbell (b) Nancy Akers (b)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Kids Mart at the De Soto Farmers' Market 8 to 12 noon</p>
<p>5</p> <p>Holy Communion</p> <p>Becky Mayberry (b)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Yoga 10 a.m.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Rotary 12 noon Adult Bible Study 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7 pm</p> <p>Tabitha Smith (b)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Tiffany Wymore (b) Matt & Liz Byrde (a)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Molly Huffman (b) Jerry & Tammie Riddle (a)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>De Soto Farmers' Market 8 to 12 noon</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Dan & Amy Hickman (a)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Yoga 10 a.m.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Rotary 12 noon Adult Bible Study 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>Jan Stichling (b)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7 pm</p> <p>CeCe Akers (b)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Community Dinner prep 5:30 - ?</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Community Dinner 4:30 to 7 p.m.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>De Soto Farmers' Market 8 to 12 noon</p> <p>UMM Breakfast 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Bob Payne (b)</p>
<p>19</p> <p>Fellowship Dinner after worship</p> <p>Hazel Hardin (b) Lauren Nuckols (b)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Yoga 10 a.m.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Rotary 12 noon Adult Bible Study 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>Charge Conf. Reports Deadline</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7 pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Bryanna Alexander (b) Merlin Weber (b)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Christie Jonas (b)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Halloween at the De Soto Farmers' Market 8 to 12 noon</p> <p>Michelle Riddle (b)</p>
<p>26</p> <p>Addie Wiggins (b)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Yoga 10 a.m.</p> <p>Kim Marx (b)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Rotary 12 noon Adult Bible Study 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>Abby Akers (b)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Chancel Choir 7 pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Trunk 'n Treat Church Parking Lot (hours to be announced)</p>	

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**DE SOTO
FARMERS'
MARKET
SATURDAYS
8:00-Noon**

Veggies are in. Come see your favorite vendors and meet some of our new vendors.

**Celebrate Our Heritage
Saturday, September 13**

Come see many demonstrations and ask lots of questions. Call Bryanna Alexander or Debby Campbell with questions or to offer a demonstration.

**FARMERS' MARKET AT THE ARMORY
SATURDAY, SEPT 20
8:00-2:00 PM
CELEBRATING WITH FALL FESTIVAL**



***ST. ANDREW'S
UNITED
METHODIST
MEN'S
BREAKFAST
SATURDAY***

***SEPTEMBER 20, 2014
7:30-10:30 AM***

St. Andrew's Fellowship Hall

***Join us for a full meal, pancakes, or
just a breakfast sandwich.***