

### **PASTORS & STAFF**

**Rev. Steve Plunkett,** *Pastor* swp.0907@saint-andrew.com

Rev. Brandon Lewis, Associate Pastor brandon@saint-andrew.com

Rev. Lisa Patterson, Associate Pastor lisa@saint-andrew.com

Morris Martin, *Minister of Music* Jannette Hindman,

Children's Choir Director

Jean Harden, Handbell Choir Director

Sue Elliott, Nursery Director toddlerqueen2@gmail.com

Tonya Hernandez, Financial Secretary

tonya@saint-andrew.com

Stephanie Raesz, *Treehouse Director* stephanieraesz@verizon.net

Jim White, Facilities Manager jim@saint-andrew.com

Louis Korom,

Office/Communication Assistant lou@saint-andrew.com

Shea-lyn Stephens, Office Administrator shea@saint-andrew.com



300 W. Oak St. Denton, TX 76201 940.387.3897 www.saint-andrew.com

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

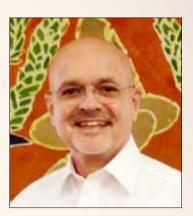
8:30am & 10:50am Children's Chapel - after the children's sermon @ 10:50am

Sunday Evening Worship 5:00pm

# FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Andrew Church Family,

Welcome to this year's Spring Guide to our life together in St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. I hope you'll see this guide not just as an informational listing of activities, but as an invitation to become involved in the life of



our congregation. The purpose of these various church activities is to deepen our faith, to strengthen our spiritual lives, and to be nurtured by the joy of being together as a church family. I hope that you will join together in embracing our congregational life.

As we begin 2014, my hope and prayer is that our lives will intersect in a rich and meaningful way in and through our mutual commitment to Jesus Christ and his church.

Stive Plunkett

Grace and peace,

Spring Guide — 2014

# **CONNECTING WITH OTHERS**

#### Theology on Tap

## **2**<sup>nd</sup> and **4**<sup>th</sup> **Mondays @ 6:30pm | East Side Social Club** Drink. Conversation. Faith. God.

Theology on Tap is a multi-generational gathering where inquiry and reflection cross with leisure and a good drink. More specifically, it is a discussion on matters of human interest with theological significance. We aim to connect theology and life, and learn about God and ourselves in the process.

On a typical night, we'll gather around 6:30 for drinks, food, and discussion. The facilitator for the evening will frame the topic for discussion, make some remarks to get the discussion going, and then prompt a larger discussion with the group. Each participant is responsible for helping others think through the topic and move the discussion in a stimulating, engaging, and fruitful direction.

\*Begins Monday, January 27

#### **Presbyterian Women**

Circles I and II meet the second Tuesday of the month, at 9:30am in members' homes or at the church. Circle III meets the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the church Parlor. All the women of the church are cordially invited to join a Circle. For further information regarding this Spring's Bible Study, *An Abiding Hope: The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy*, contact Lib Berry, Women's Council Moderator 2014, Ph: 940-584-0128.

Presbyterian Women's sewing & crafts group meets the fourth Tuesdays at 10:00am on the Rec Center mezzanine. For more information, get in touch with Irma Waring, ilwaring@verizon.net or 940.387.5734.

### Women's Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study February 18, Room 206, 1:30pm Helen Davis & June McNeill

We will be studying *A Woman God Can Use*, by Alice Mathews. All ladies of the church are welcome to attend including your friends & neighbors. The books have questions that encourage good conversation of the study. Please join us on February 18! You can find the study books in the Narthex workroom and make your check payable to St. Andrew and give to the office or bring to the first meeting.

# Men's Breakfast & Bible Study Cartwright's on the Square, 8:00am

Join the men of the church for breakfast and Bible study again this spring as they resume meeting on January 16. Steve Plunkett makes a weekly presentation and facilitates discussion of topics found in the current readings in the 365 Bible readings. So plan to be at Cartwright's on Thursday mornings this spring.

#### Prime Time - Second Fridays, Room 206/208, Noon

The group gathers at noon on the second Friday of the month, and participants usually bring a sack lunch. Dessert and beverages are provided, and entertaining and informative programs typically follow the meal. Plan to join the group for fun and fellowship beginning in February.

### Women's Noon Lenten Study Room 206, February 26 - April 9

Lisa Patterson will lead this ecumenical group in a Lenten study. The book they'll be studying will be announced soon. Join the group for lively and thoughtful discussion - you'll be glad you did. Bring a friend and your lunch, if you'd like.

#### Special Activities Just for You

The Special Activities Team is organizing activities where members of St. Andrew can enjoy more community spirit, and your participation is needed. A list of possible groups has been compiled—bowling, game nights, theater and movie nights, restaurants, cooking, scrapbooking, yoga, Zumba, arts and crafts, and musical events—to name just a few. You may have additional suggestions and/or would like to become a part of some of these or other interest groups. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex and church office, or you can contact Judy Stoughton, 940-383-2682 or candjstoughton@aol.com, or Diane Forester at d4ester@ verizon.net. Let's have some fun together this year!

#### Date for Eight

Date for Eight is an opportunity for groups from St. Andrew to meet informally and share a lunch or dinner together, either at a home or in a restaurant. There are different groups to fit members' needs, and all invited to participate. If you would like to join a group or would like more information, please see the sign-up sheets in the narthex or church office, or contact Judy Stoughton, candjstoughton@aol.com or 940-383-2682, or Diane Forester, d4ester@verizon.net. Bon appétit from the Special Activities Team!

# **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Children's Ministry has planned the following for the children of our congregation this spring, and they encourage parents and children to participate.

#### "Sexuality: A Gift from God" Coming this Spring!

The popular classes for 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders will return this spring. 2nd-3rd graders and 4th-5th graders will have the opportunity to learn in a safe and structured environment about our sexuality as a gift from God. Wise and knowledgable pediatricians in Denton and teachers from our congregation will teach lead three 1-1/2 hour classes on three consecutive Sunday afternoons. While children are in the classroom with the other children and teachers, parents will be learning the same material taught to the children but discussed at the parent level. These classes provide the gift of knowledge that children can use to make healthy choices throughout their lives and give wonderful opportunities for parents and children to experience teachable moments through their shared knowledge. A parent forum will be offered prior to the classes for parents to bring all of their questions and have them answered, as well as review the curriculum offered.

Questions? Contact Michael Ball at michaelball@charter. net or Lisa Patterson at lisa@saint-andrew.com

#### Parents' Night Out Rec Center, 4:00-9:00pm

Parents' Night Out is held on the second Saturday of the month for children from 12 months through older elementary ages. Reservations for the evening are required, so please email Sue Elliott, toddlerqueen2@gmail.com, to reserve a spot for your child.

Spring Dates: 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY MORNING

#### Nursery, Room 102, 8:30am-Noon

Our nursery for infants and toddlers is located in the Education wing and is fully staffed on Sunday mornings. Pagers are available for you to take with you for your peace of mind, in case the nursery staff needs to get in touch with you.

#### Children's Chapel

#### Sunday Mornings, 10:50am Worship Service

For preschoolers and kindergarteners, this worship time begins after the children's sermon in the 10:50am service. Godly Play helps them explore the purpose and meaning of worship in the children's chapel upstairs. Parents pick their children up from chapel after the worship service concludes.

#### Preschool, Room 100, 9:30am

Sue Elliott & Vera Odei

Preschool children three through five years old will learn the stories of the Bible through story time, art, music and play. They will experience the stories through a rotation model curriculum, preparing them for entry into the K-5<sup>th</sup> grade rotation model Sunday school when they enter kindergarten.

#### K-5th Grade, Room 201, 9:30am

All children in grades K-5 will meet in the story room, next to the library, for the morning's Gathering. After the Gathering, K-3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> will learn and explore each Sunday morning's story in a deeper way through art, mission, story-telling, media and games. Join us in our newly refurbished children's area!

# YOUTH

#### **MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH**

**element**: an existence that satisfies all the conditions of belonging to something

#### Super Wednesday element | 6:00-7:30 PM

Location: Rec Center & The Den

*element* is a community for middle school students to come and be themselves, play games and have fun, build friendships, and engage in our faith together.

# Sunday Morning | 9:45-10:30 AM 6th/7th Grade Sunday School

Location: The Den

Join other 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students as we learn how to grow in Christian identity and live our faith in connection to the latest events in the world (movies, TV, music, what's in the news, etc.).

#### 8th Grade Confirmation Class | 9:45-10:30 AM

Location: Rec Center Mezzanine

Confirmands explore the biblical foundations of Christianity, the history of the Church, and the substance of what it means to be Presbyterian.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH**

**CREW:** Community, Risk, Experience, Worship

#### Super Wednesday CONNECT | 6:00-7:30 PM

Location: Rec Center & The Den

Start off in the gym for a rousing game of Bodgeball & other fun games. Then connect with adult leaders for discussions & activities, connect with our faith, connect with God.

#### High School Sunday School | 9:45-10:30 AM

**Location:** The Den

This is the place for high school students to hang out with friends, engage in discussion about the joys and struggles of being a teenager, and explore what it means to have faith in God in today's world.

#### Sunday Evening CREW | 6:15-7:30 PM

**Location:** The Den

CREW is a community in which high school students join with each other and adults to build deeper friendships, explore our faith, have fun, and enjoy a good meal.

### **COMING THIS SPRING**

#### Youth Sunday, February 23

One of the best ways our youth share in our life together, and know that they belong and are making a difference, is the opportunity for them to lead in worship. Our middle school and high school students will lead us in worship on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please come and worship under their leadership and let them know that we stand with them as they serve God and our congregation. We hope to see you there!

#### 2014 High School Senior Luncheon, May 4

Everyone is invited to a luncheon honoring and celebrating our graduating seniors immediately following 10:50 worship on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Please join us as we celebrate our 2014 graduates!

#### Youth BBQ, May 25

Mark your calendars for the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Youth BBQ on the front lawn immediately following 10:50 worship on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. We'll have great BBQ, a bake auction, music, face-painting, a bounce house for kids, and more! All donations go to directly St. Andrew's youth ministry, specifically helping with sending youth on mission trips.

#### Confirmation Sunday, June 1

Our eighth grade Confirmation class will be received during 10:50am worship, with their mentors standing alongside them, on Sunday, June 1<sup>st.</sup> A reception in their honor will be held in the narthex immediately following worship.

# **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

#### For Children

Nursery - 8:30am-Noon Room 102

Preschool - 9:30am Sue Elliott & Vera Odei, Room 100

Completed K-5<sup>th</sup> Grades - 9:30am Room 201

> For Youth - 9:45am-10:30ar

6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Grade - 9:45am-10:30am *The Den* 

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class - 9:45-10:30am Rec Center Mezzanine

High School - 9:45-10:30am The Den

#### For Adults

#### Breakfast Club – 9:30am Lisa Patterson, Room 206/208

The Breakfast Club will study each week's readings from the 365 Daily Bible readings and follow the schedule that St. Andrew has been using since June 2nd. The group enjoys discussion, questions and relationship, and breakfast is always a part of the morning.

# Mighty Acts – 9:30am John Mikow, Room 100

The *Present Word* engages participants in an experiential style of learning and connecting faith and life. Through the exploration of the biblical text, class members are invited into a deepened relationship with God.

### Pastor's Class – 9:40am Steve Plunkett, Room 207/209

This winter and spring, the Pastor's Class will continue the discussion of each week's Bible readings as we read through the Bible in 365 days. This class is an opportunity to ask difficult questions in a safe environment of friendship and trust. Everyone is invited to come and be part of it.

### Pathfinders – 9:30am Richard Sale, Room 205

The Pathfinders Sunday School class will follow up the Fall study of Rob Bell's book, *Love Wins*, with his video series on a variety of topics. The videos are 10 minutes long, and the class will discuss the topic of the day.

# **MUSIC MINISTRY**

#### **Chancel Choir | Morris Martin, Director**

The Chancel Choir is open to all members of the congregation as well as non-members. The ability to read music is welcome but not required, nor is an audition. We rehearse in the adult choir room at 7:30pm on Wednesday evenings and in the chancel on Sunday mornings at 9:45am. If you feel the call to sing, please consider joining this group of dedicated singers.

#### Handbell Choir | Jean Harden, Director

The handbell choir offers senior high students and adults a musical way to participate in worship. The handbells play during Advent, Lent, and the Easter season. Some familiarity with music notation is strongly recommended, but previous ringing experience is not required. We will teach you what you need to know about ringing. Membership is open to older teens and adults without audition, while middle

school students with musical experience should consult the director; church membership is not required. The choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 in the adult choir room and resumes practice on January 15.

#### Children's Choirs | Jannette Hindman, Director

Participating in choir gives children the opportunity to serve God as they offer up their singing in worship as a gift. The children's choirs rehearse on Wednesday evenings after the meal in Fellowship Hall. The Covenant Choir, for second through fifth grades, rehearses from 6:15-7:00pm, and the Noel Choir, for kinder and first grades, rehearses from 7:00-7:30pm. The children's choir room is located on the second floor above the church office. All children are invited to join a choir!~

# **SUPER WEDNESDAY**

#### January 15-April 30, 5:30-7:30pm

Our Super Wednesday program at St. Andrew offers something for people of all ages, and we invite you to join us this fall. After our meal in Fellowship Hall, everyone scatters to participate in a variety of studies and activities, which you'll find described below.

Meal, Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm Children & Youth, \$1, College Students, no charge, Adults, \$4 Family Maximum, \$10

#### **Children's Activities**

Nursery for infants & preschoolers, Room 102, 5:30-7:30pm Covenant Choir, grades 2-5, Children's Choir Room, Jannette Hindman, 6:15pm Recreation K-1st Grades, Malicia Curran, 6:15pm Noel Choir, K-1st, Children's Choir Room, Jannette Hindman, 7:00pm Recreation Grades 2-5, Malicia Curran, 7:00pm

#### **Activities for Youth**

Middle School *element* | Rec Center @ 6:00pm, The Den @ 6:30pm High School CONNECT | Rec Center @ 6:00pm, The Den @ 6:30pm

# Activities for Adults Handbells, Adult Choir Room, 6:20-7:30pm Jean Harden, director

# Quilting, Rec Center Mezzanine, 6:30pm Nancy Griffin & Elizabeth Hagen,

The quilters make quilts for babies and young children, to be given to those being baptized. They also make quilts for the graduating high school seniors, and children new to the Treehouse get to select a quilt. They have plenty of material, several sewing machines, and beginners are welcome.

#### Adult Studies, 6:30-7:30pm

#### Glory to God

# The Rev. Dr. Michael Waschevski, Fellowship Hall January 15-January 22

The Rev. Dr. Michael Waschevski, associate pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth, will present an interactive and informative presentation on the new Presbyterian hymnal "Glory to God." Michael is a talented musician and served on the hymnal committee.

# "Belivin in God's Timeline" Kim Warner, Fellowship Hall January 29-March 5

Undeniably life has a past, present and future. This class will look at how our individual past impacts today and how our personal view of tomorrow shapes our today. What does the Bible have to say to give us insight into a positive and productive today when we must live with our past and our tomorrow? To answer this question we really are living—as in belivin in God's timeline.

### Paul's Letter to the Colossians Fred Cassell, Fellowship Hall March 19-April 23

The letter from the Apostle Paul to the Colossians was intended to be shared with the Christians in the city of Laodicea. It was, therefore, "a tale for two cities." In this sixweek study of Colossians we will move from the theological (the nature of God incarnate in Jesus), to the practical (how believers in Christ should live their daily lives). The letter is, therefore: a tale for us all.

#### **Nutrition in the News**

### Dr. Betty Alford and Dr. Jo Ann Cassell, Room 206/208 January 15-February 5

Each evening will be organized around nutrition topics under discussion in the national media. What is the new information about the safety of trans-fats? Do adults really need to take a vitamin/mineral supplement? Does a daily glass of pomegranate juice really help? Current food labels list the amount of sugar in one serving of the product. Does this amount include all forms of sugar or just the amount of table sugar? Why is there concern about consumption of "energy" drinks? And more.

### The Handy Human Roger Lewis, Room 206/208 February 12 - March 5

Roger Lewis will lead a class designed to help all of us learn and master the art of simple home repairs and learn how to be "handy" around the house. This class is for all ages, genders and lack of skill levels! Come and learn simple home repair techniques and save yourself money in the process.

continued on page 8

# **SUPER WEDNESDAY**

### Beginning Art Leslie Kregel, Room 206/208 March 19-April 23

Join this hands on and dynamic class as Leslie Kregel introduces all skill levels in a beginning art class. If you've always wanted to try your hand at creating and finding expression through art, this is the class for you. Leslie taught art for many years and is a skilled artist in many different mediums. Come and try it!

### Parenting a Middle Schooler Lisa Elliott, Room 207/209 January 15-February 19

Lisa Elliott will guide parents through the confusing, challenging, joyous and never to be repeated years of their child's middle school years. Come and join a committed group of parents and be guided by the wisdom, knowledge and experience of this well-known and experienced counselor.

### Exercise with Jen Sprock Jen Sprock, Room 207/209 February 26-April 23

Work your muscles in ways that are challenging and rewarding. Mind and body work better when both are used and exercised. After a challenging day at home or work, stretch and gain needed energy from a guided workout for any and all levels of activity.

### Bill Moyers on Faith and Reason Joe Fritz, Room 205 March 19-April 23

Joe Fritz will lead this video and discussion based class centered on the topic of faith and reason. The videos will feature thoughtful conversations between Moyers and some of the world's noted writers and thinkers engaging topics like the human condition, the creative process and the importance of stories. Join in the conversation as we journey together in our lives of discipleship.

# The Vicar of Dibley Judy and Chuck Stoughton, Room 205 January 15-March 5

The sleepy village of Dibley, England, has a new vicar, but it is not what they expected! Instead of a standard, staid, older pastor with a beard and a Bible, this one is a lively young woman, armed with a sharp wit, a double dose of double entendre, and a healthy supply of chocolate. Things will never be the same! This is an hysterical new outlook on love, life, and the ministry from the inside. Loosely based on Joy Carroll Wallis, one of the first women to be ordained as a priest in the Church of England in 1994, the DVD series is rollicking, filled with raucous humor that is not for the faint-hearted. We will also look at the real-life stories of Wallis, whose unconventional way of becoming a priest is, in itself, fascinating. If you are looking for a fun-filled, yet informative Wednesday study, this class is for you!

### Presbyterian Women, Circle III Parlor, 6:30pm

Circle III meets in the Parlor the second wednesday evening of the month, and members share the leadership of the group.



### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING APRIL 20, 2014

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received on Easter Sunday, April 20, and you will find the envelopes in the pew racks. This offering is distributed among the Presbyterian Hunger Program, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and the Self-development of People Program. Please give generously as we remember to share joyfully through our giving.

Children pick up banks on April 13 and return them on Easter Sunday.

# **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

### IN DENTON

#### **Treehouse Volunteers**

The Treehouse is St. Andrew's outreach mission to low-income children within the Denton Independent School District. Each day, 13 children from three different elementary schools are picked up on the St. Andrew bus and brought back to our Rec Center to spend their after school time with us. They enjoy a healthy snack, have time to rest or do homework, play in the gym or outside, have arts and crafts time, music time, and chapel time, providing them with a safe and loving environment.

The Treehouse has one paid staff member/director, and we rely completely on volunteers to spend time with the children each afternoon and/or to provide their daily snack. If you feel called to this mission, please contact the director at stephanieraesz@verizon.net. Those who give their time can do so weekly, a few times a month, or be on our substitute list. All you need to do is pass a background check and a brief orientation. Snack volunteers are provided with a schedule and a list of snack options. Please prayerfully consider whether your time and talents would match the needs of this special program.

#### Give a Meal

Our monthly food drive for the Denton Community Food Center is organized by the diaconate's Community Outreach committee. The monthly menu is in the bulletin each week, and the committee asks that we bring our staples to the collection bin by the Coke machine near the doors to Fellowship Hall. They will deliver the food to the Food Center at the end of the month. Our monthly food drive is a simple yet powerful way to help feed our hungry neighbors in Denton. Thank You!

#### **Birthday Endowment**

This endowment was established in 2007 and provides income to fund mission efforts not covered by the annual mission budget. Income has been used in previous years to send children and sponsors to Mo-Ranch's Worship and Music Conference, as well as for mission projects such as water filtration systems for people in Guatemala. Traditionally, members contribute an amount equal to the number of years being celebrated. So on your next birthday remember this endowment and contribute toward making a lasting difference in the lives of others.

#### **Our Daily Bread**

Many in Denton turn for help to this community soup kitchen housed at St. Andrew. The kitchen staff always needs volunteers, and there are other avenues to serve as well. To volunteer, visit their website, http://www.ourdailybreaddenton.org/, and follow the directions under Volunteering.

# SERVICE FOR WHOLENESS MARCH 25

You are invited to a Service for Wholeness in the sanctuary at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25. This informal service affirms God's love for us in the face of spiritual and perhaps physical pain and suffering. It is a way for us to be present with one another in love. Consisting of a short meditation from the one of the pastors, responsive reading, and prayer, the service offers a quiet and contemplative approach to worship. In part of the service, worshipers are invited to bring a need or concern before God by coming forward for prayer with one of the pastors or Stephen Ministers. Perhaps it is an illness, or treatment for an illness. Or maybe it involves a family or business matter, or a relationship of one kind or another. Whatever the need, the Service for Wholeness is an opportunity to bring that need into the presence of God in a confidential environment. The service concludes with the celebration of the Holy Communion.

# **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

### AT ST. ANDREW

#### **Ushers**

Ushering for the Sunday morning worship services is open to all youth and adults of the congregation. To learn more, please get in touch with June McNeill, 940.591.6080.

#### **Meals for CREW**

#### Sunday Evenings, The Den, 6:15pm

Our high school youth gather in The Den on Sunday evenings after SEW to explore their faith, have fun, and enjoy a good meal. Brandon Lewis needs your help to feed these hungry youth, so please get in touch with him if you can provide sustenance for them this spring. He needs help from January through the end of April—that's a lot of meals!

#### **Membership Teams**

The Membership Committee's many teams provide varied opportunities to serve at St. Andrew. In addition to Ambassadors greeting visitors every Sunday, the Visitor's Team reaches out to visitors to make them feel welcome and provides outreach to attract new members. The New Member Assimilation Team assists new members in becoming part of our church family. The Discipleship Team encourages the spiritual health and growth of the congregation. The Special Activities Team creates opportunities for groups in the church to enjoy fellowship together outside of worship. All of these teams would welcome creative new ideas and assistance. To volunteer, please contact Judy Stoughton at candjstoughton@aol.com.

#### **Super Wednesday Volunteers**

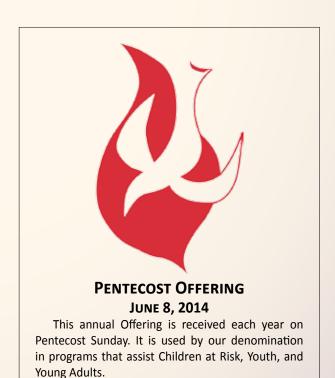
#### January 15-April 30, Fellowship Hall, 4:30pm

Many willing hands are needed on Wednesday evenings in Fellowship Hall in order for Super Wednesdays to be successful. Volunteers are needed each week to help serve the meal and staff the money table. Sign-up sheets will be posted in Fellowship Hall, so please volunteer an evening or two this spring. Pat Bennett will give you a reminder call as your turn to help approaches. Thank You!

#### **Stephen Ministry**

The Stephen Ministry motto is "God's love in action." A fellowship of specially trained individuals, Stephen Ministers provide one-on-one Christian care for people in our congregation and community who are experiencing grief, loneliness, divorce, illness, disability, job loss, or any of life's many transitions. To receive care for yourself, a friend, or family member, talk to one of the pastors or Diane Smith, 940.453.9908, dianesmith12345@yahoo.com. Recruitment for a new class of Stephen Ministers will begin later this spring, so please prayerfully consider joining this caring ministry at St. Andrew.

Contact one of our Stephen Leaders—Diane Smith, Joyce White, Sherry Van Atta, David Strutton, or Karen Dower—for more information about becoming a Stephen Minister.



# **WELCOME TO ST ANDREW**

- We worship and study together on Sundays at 8:30 with soloists; 10:50 with chancel choir; and 5:00 Sunday Evening Worship with more contemporary approach and a band. Sunday School is at 9:30, with a nursery for infants and young children and a Children's Chapel for pre-K and K children. Summer worship hours change
- We periodically hold a Service for Wholeness on weekday evenings where respite from busyness of life can be found, as well as weekly Bible studies and activities for men and women and various monthly gatherings.
- We serve our congregation, our community, and the world, including a Fall Festival of Faith and Stephen Ministry.
- We gather mid-week during Fall and Spring semesters for a Super Wednesday meal, program, and activities for all ages, including Chancel Choir, whose membership is open to all with no auditions, and a Handbell Choir.
- We have an active Youth ministry for middle and high school students and a dynamic program for elementary and pre-school children, including two children's choirs, which also attend a Worship and Music Conference at MO Ranch in the summer.
- We provide The Children's Place, a preschool, and the Treehouse, an after school program for elementary children.
- We house Denton's ecumenical soup kitchen, Our Daily Bread, in Fellowship Hall M-F every week at noon, and we volunteer working with Hearts for Homes, Habitat for Humanity, Interfaith Ministries, HOPE, Inc., the Denton Community Food Center, and mission trips throughout the year for all ages.

### **HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER**

Membership at St. Andrew is the first step in what we consider a life-long process of discipleship, and we invite you to join us on this journey. Becoming a member affirms your faith in God and love for God's people. Membership is a commitment to this particular part of God's family, where we nurture growth in faith, worship, and service to others. We hope you find the simplicity of our membership process an engaging introduction to our life together.

There are four steps to becoming a member of St. Andrew:

- 1. Fill out and turn in a New Member Information Form. You will find the forms on the Visitor Information table in the narthex.
- Come to the parlor after the 10:50 worship service on the last Sunday of the month. The Session, our governing body, formally receives new members at that time. We receive new members in one of the following ways: Letter of Transfer (can be requested by our church office), Reaffirmation of Faith, or Profession of Faith and Baptism.
- 3. Join us during the 10:50 worship service the following Sunday (first Sunday of the month) when we recognize our new members during the service.
- 4. We encourage all new members to participate in an Inquirer's Class, which is offered periodically during the year.

Sometime during the quarter after becoming a new member, you will be invited to a New Member Dinner, hosted by Margaret and Steve Plunkett with the help of the Membership Committee. We look forward to these occasions to become better acquainted with each other through fellowship around the dining table.

#### St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

The Spring Guide 300 West Oak Street Denton, TX 76201-9084 940.387.3897 www.saint-andrew.com

### ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

#### Connect with us



facebook.com/StAndrewDenton



twitter.com/standrewdenton

## LENT & EASTER 2014

Ash Wednesday Service Wednesday, March 5 7:30PM

Passion/Palm Sunday April 13, 2014

Noon Meditations Monday-Wednesday, April 14-16 Sanctuary at Noon Maundy Thursday
April 17
Meal at 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall
Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 6:15pm

Good Friday Service of Tenebrae, 7:00pm

Easter Sunday
April 20
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Received