

## **St. Andrew's Net**

### **St. Andrew Lutheran Church**

**201 So. Main Street | Muncy, PA 17756 | 570-546-3591**

**[www.standrewlutheranmuncy.org](http://www.standrewlutheranmuncy.org)**

**Rev. Daniel P. Landin**

**Liturgical Worship, 8:15 a.m. | Blended Worship, 10:45 a.m. | Sunday School 9:30 a.m.**

**Communion, First Sunday of the month**

**AUGUST 2017**

Greetings St. Andrew Lutherans!

During the month of August, some of us not only try to enjoy the last remaining days of our summer vacation and the slower pace of life in summer, but we will also inevitably begin to turn our attention towards getting ready for the upcoming school year or post Labor Day season. Life will change, schedules will change, and we will load ourselves up with this and that. In the crazy shuffle of activities and schedules that we will all be facing shortly, it will be easy to ignore some of the more important things we do in life, namely the time we spend with God and serving others in his name.

One thing that, unfortunately, many of us push to the side first is the time that we spend in our Bibles. Why is that? Why is it so easy for us to say, "I'll do it later," to only find that we're back in worship on Sunday morning and the last time we held our Bibles in hand was the previous Sunday? Perhaps one of the reasons why we struggle with reading the Bible, when we can easily sit down and read a novel or a blog post online, is that you find it distracting to read when the text layout in your Bible has chapter and verse numbers all over the place and all those references and footnotes. Well, there is a great solution to this problem... Readers Bibles!

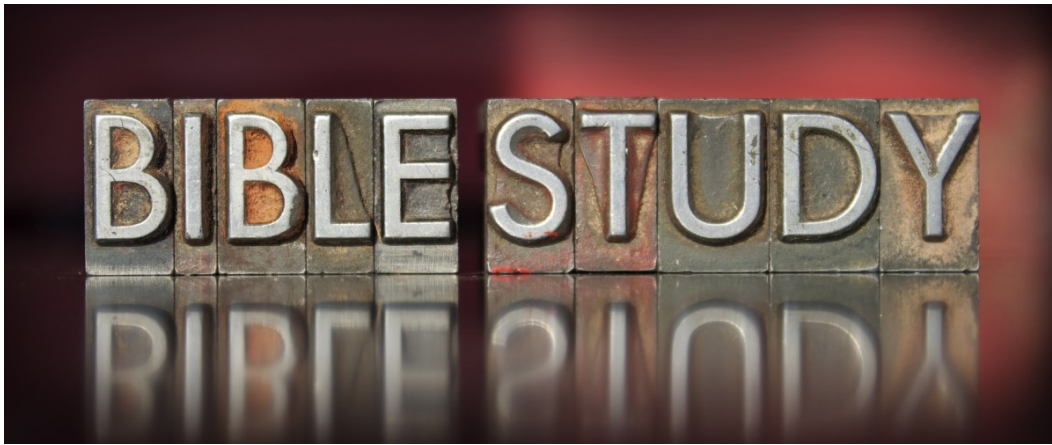
There has been a great push for reader friendly Bibles over the past few years and one that is just coming out is from Tyndale in the New Living Translation. A great translation called the Immerse Bible Reading Experience. Starting on Sunday, September 17, churches across the country will embark on a Community Bible reading experience that will, over the course of three years, allow churches to read through the Bible together in this new reader friendly format. This experience will involve 5 days of reading per week, 20-30 minutes per day, over the course of 8 week 2 times per year. Each week, we will be gathering together for an informal review of what we read. It will be more like a book club than a Bible study. This way, we will not only be reading together, but we will be able to see how we are growing in faith as we make our way through the Bible answering simple questions like: What stood out to you this week? Was there anything confusing or troubling? Did anything make you think differently about God? How might this change the way we live? The first 8 week reading will allow us to easily read through the whole New Testament! The reading group will most likely be meeting on Monday nights, but I am open to other times that may be more convenient (we could even have more than one group!).

We will be ordering the first volume (entitled, "Messiah") sometime during the month of August, so we will need you to sign up as soon as possible. The sign up sheet is on the windowsill in the narthex. The cost of each book is roughly \$13, but we will only be asking you to pay \$5. Each edition is also available in ebook format too.

I highly encourage you to participate in this Bible reading experience or to join us for one of our other Bible studies that will be taking place during the school year as well! I pray that you will continue to do whatever you can to make the time in your schedule to dig into God's Word, no matter what we add to our busy lives.

Grace and Peace!

Pastor Dan <><



## **2017-2018 Pastor Dan's Tuesday Bible Study Schedule**

### **Galatians**

**September 19, 26**

**October 17, 24**

**November 14**

### **1 Thessalonians**

**April 24**

**May 8, 15, 22, 29**

### **Ruth**

**November 21, 28**

**December 12, 19**

### **Possible Lent Study**

**February 20, 27**

**March 13, 20**

### **1 Samuel**

**January 9, 16, 23, 30**

**February 6, 20, 27**

**March 13, 20**

**April 10, 17**

**Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.**

**Parish Hall Sunday School Room**

**Dates/Books/Studies are subject to change.**

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### **A NEW CONCEPT IN STUDYING THE BIBLE...SIMILAR TO A BOOK CLUB!**

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Happy Anniversary!

Chris Dougherty	August 1
Clyde Kepner	August 5
Erica Souter	August 5
Amanda Hogan	August 7
River Gardner	August 7
Norma Stackhouse	August 11
Courtney Johnson	August 13
Ronald Alexander	August 17
Arlene Kiess	August 18
Anna Styer	August 18
Richard Styer	August 24
Andrea Dunkleberger	August 25
Cheryl Miller	August 28
Luanne Libbey	August 31

Pastor Dan & Stephanie Landin	8/1/2009
John & Luanne Libbey	8/4/2012
Jim & Jonnie Stahl	8/17/1968
Jim & Becky Houser	8/19/1978
Laru & Linda Moyer	8/31/1963

Aug. 3	National Watermelon Day
Aug. 10	National S'mores Day
Aug. 13	Left Handers Day
Aug. 14	V-J Day (Victory in Japan)
Aug. 30	Nat'l Marshmallow Toasting Day

**BARBECUE / ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

Bring your appetites and join your St. Andrew family for a relaxing evening at the annual barbecue/ice cream social, Sunday, August 20, 2017, 5:00 p.m. A free-will offering will benefit Jayci Welch. There will be a sign-up sheet on the window sill in the Narthex.



**2017 AREA SCHOOL BEGINNINGS**

Muncy	Aug. 23	Loyalsock	Aug. 22
Hughesville	Aug. 24	Williamsport	Aug. 28
Montgomery	Sept. 5	Montoursville	Sept. 5

## AUGUST USHER SCHEDULE

**8:15**

**10:45**

Aug. 6 Dick & Jo Langer 570-546-6418  
 Aug. 13 Troy & Ellen Detweiler 570-546-7877  
 Aug. 20 Jim & Jonnie Stahl 570-546-5767  
 Aug. 27 Barbara Dunn | Karen Myers

Rick & Sue Sarginger 570-772-1579  
 Sandy Tillson | Cindy McArdle  
 William Agnone | William Ritter  
 Philip & Kay Myers 570-433-3455

Sept. 3 Steve & Hiliary Haddon 570-777-4045  
 Sept. 10 Lynn & Doris Poust 570-546-5106  
 Sept. 17 John & Cam Myers 570-584-5411  
 Sept. 24 Don & Cheryl Miller 546-6922

Tom & Dee Knight 570-649-5600  
 James & Karen Krum 579-220-6878  
 Barron & Darla Zimmers 570-546-2878  
 Rick & Sue Sarginger 570-546-5404

### AUGUST NURSERY SCHEDULE

Aug. 6 Cindy & Sarah Alexander 570-546-6715  
 Aug. 13 Hiliary & Faith Haddon 570-777-4045  
 Aug. 20 Sue Sarginger 570-772-1579  
 Aug. 27 Emilie & Rachel Detweiler 570-546-7877  
 Sept. 3 Chelsie Houser 570-367-9177

If you are unable to serve on your designated date, please try to find a replacement and let Kay know of the change @ 570-546-3591. Thank you!



### ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY

Aug. Cindy Alexander  
 Sept. Ginny Gruver | Hiliary Haddon  
 Oct. Luanne Libbey

*Thank you to our **many volunteers** for all that you do.*

*Special thanks to these who serve on our nursery committee: Sue Sarginger, Chelsie Houser, Emilie & Rachel Detweiler, Hiliary & Faith Haddon, Cindy and Sarah Alexander, Stephanie Landin, Anna & Nora Styer, and anyone else not listed who help out when needed, thank you!*

## AUGUST ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

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Aug. 6 Daulton Myers  
 Aug. 13 Rachel Detweiler  
 Aug. 20 Faith Haddon  
 Aug. 27 Sarah Alexander

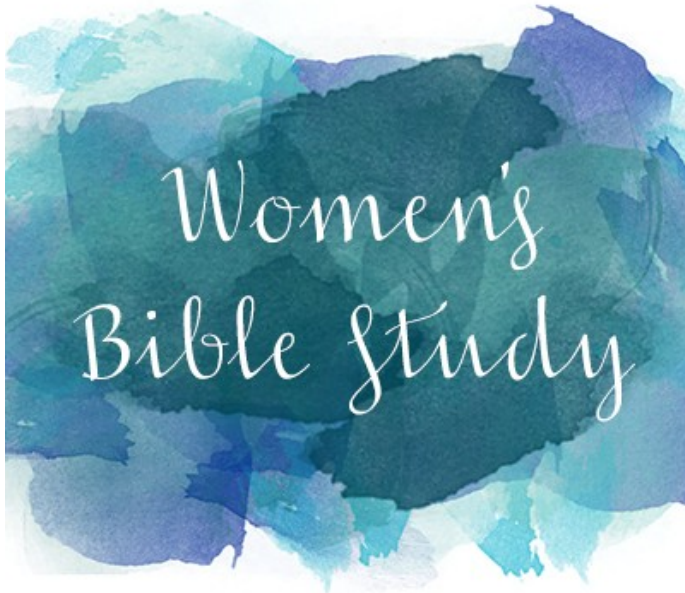
Sarah Styer  
 Emma Hogan  
 Emilie Detweiler  
 Anna Styer

### AUGUST LECTOR SCHEDULE

Aug. 6 Ron Alexander  
 Aug. 13 Ron Alexander  
 Aug. 20 Ron Alexander  
 Aug. 27 Ron Alexander

Michelle Styer  
 Amanda Hogan  
 Courtney Johnson  
 Dee Knight

## ST. ANDREW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



All women are welcome to join us for one of Beth Moore's most recent Bible studies entitled "ENTRUSTED", based on the book of Second Timothy. It involves a journey of joy and hardship in living lives of faithfulness by guarding what God has entrusted to us. Cost is \$25.00, which includes Beth's wonderful DVD of commentaries and your student workbook.

Pastor Janet & Joy Barto will be guiding and Courtney Johnson will be assisting the sessions, which begin on Thursday, September 21st, at 7:00 PM. A sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex. Please consider being a part of this inspiring activity as we work together to know Christ and to make Him known! The deadline for sign-up is August 27th.

Dear St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church,

I would like to thank you for helping with Vacation Bible School. Your group did a fantastic job running the game station. Your crew was wonderful to work with. Can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for next year's VBS.

In God's Love,  
Gabby Marconnet  
Children's Coordinator, First UMC Muncy



## AUGUST COMMUNITY EVENTS

Submitted by Dianne Campbell

**Muncy Historical Society: Free concert!** Williamsport Symphony Orchestra, "Pops at Pepper Street." Saturday, August 5, 7:00 p.m. at 232 Pepper Street.

**First United Methodist Church**, 602 s. Market Street, Muncy: The Body & Soul Women's Exercise Group for senior women meets Mondays and Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sessions begin with prayer and conclude with a nutritious snack and time to chat. The goal of maintaining flexibility is accomplished with gentle stretching, range of motion exercises, light cardiovascular workouts and light use of weights. Coordinator Carol Godfrey, 570-584-4402.

**First United Methodist Church**, 602 S. Market St., Muncy. Dance to the music from the "60s to today on the first Saturday of each month (Aug. 5). Doors to the Celebration Center open at 6:30 p.m., dancing is from 7:00-10:00. Snacks are provided. Suggested donation of \$5.00 benefits charity.

## **St. Andrew Irrevocable Trust**

St. Andrew received notification from Wilmington Trust, the current "TRUSTEE" of our IRREVOCABLE CHARITABLE TRUST that they no longer will administer this trust. They have given us the 90-day notice required by the agreement.

The December 2016 balance for this account was \$47,303.29. This agreement was established on January 25, 1976 between the church and Northern Central Bank. Of course, over the years, this trust has moved through different banks due to mergers, and has ended with Wilmington Trust.

The reason they are terminating this agreement is because the terms of the trust limits the compensation which the TRUSTEE can charge. As written, "The TRUSTEE shall receive compensation not to exceed five (5%) percent of the trust income per annum."

The finance committee has researched other financial institutions and have determined this provision would not be able to be met in today's financial services. The stated balance of this trust would require minimum fees, which very possibly would take most of the interest earned.

Therefore, it was recommended to the Congregational Council, and approved at our June meeting to invest this money in a "NON-TRUST" account at Muncy Bank & Trust. However, the "IRREVOCABLE" status will be maintained with the same stipulations of the agreement, which states whenever the church exercises any authority concerning this trust, an "affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the eligible and confirmed members on its active roll, who are present and voting, and also by the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members of the Church Council of St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church."

The Congregational council unanimously approved this action at the June meeting. Therefore, we will have this on the agenda for our November 12, 2017 Congregational Meeting to conduct the congregational vote for final approval.

Although this trust has been active since 1976, there has been no additional money added to the funds for over 20 years. However, if the funds would ever get to an amount that a trust fund would be feasible, the church could again enter into a trust agreement at that time.

If anyone has questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Dean Barto

Council President

### **OUR AUGUST OUTREACH IS: THE VINEYARD COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER, MUNCY**

Located at 88 Sherman Street, the Vineyard Community Activity Center (VCAC) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization which owns and operates an activity center for the benefit of the community in Muncy, Hughesville, and other towns in eastern Lycoming County.

We offer the use of our facilities to individuals, families, and for-profit as well as not-for-profit organizations. Direct your inquiries to: [vineyardactivitycenter@yahoo.com](mailto:vineyardactivitycenter@yahoo.com) or (570) 546-0633