

## September 9, 2022 Friday Flash

Dear Ones,

This weekend we celebrate our Gods Work. Our Hands. Kickoff Sunday with a variety of ways to participate in Sharing God's Love through service to our local, national, and global community. On Sunday, from 9-10:00 am, there will be a variety of ways to be involved.

**For "Hands On" activities**, our Pine Ridge Team will be present before worship from 9-10 am to help facilitate packaging kits that will be distributed to the unhoused on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Thank you for your donations of items to fill these kits! There will also be materials to make cards and extend a greeting to our partners in Tanzania. Finally, after worship, a team will disperse to complete a painting project at a neighboring home in Ames. If you are interested in participating in the painting project, please contact the office at [office@standrewsames.org](mailto:office@standrewsames.org) by the end of the day Friday.

In addition, we will have opportunities to **Sign-Up to be involved in the ongoing ministries** to serve our communities:

1. *Saving Suds Volunteers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each Month*
2. *Giving Garden Team, plan future gardening ministries at St. Andrew's*
3. *Food at First Team - newly formed to serve Food at First*
  - a. 1st Thursday of the month
  - b. Beginning in October
4. *Pine Ridge Ministry Opportunities*
  - a. Receiving goods and sorting at Thursday Donation Nights in Room 2 at St. Andrew's
  - b. Loading the trucks and/or participating in a trip to deliver goods
  - c. Facilitating packaging and sending orders for Seven Fires Native Art, [www.sevenfiresart.com](http://www.sevenfiresart.com), a 501c3 nonprofit created to empower and promote Native American artists and crafters and to preserve Native arts traditions through selling opportunities, education, events and projects.
5. *Tanzania Ministry Opportunities* – Are you interested in participating in a trip to visit our companion congregations in Tanzania? Indicate your interest on the signup sheet on Sunday and be included in choosing dates, planning, and participating in a future trip!

Finally, we will be offering an opportunity to **financially support The Bridge Home**. *Founded in 1985, The Bridge Home is devoted to bridging the gap between homelessness and housing by providing shelter, support, and inspiring a pathway forward to individuals and families experiencing or on the verge of homelessness.* When contacted about needs, The Bridge Home indicated the most urgent needs were for financial gifts to be used to purchase/renovate/construct additional housing facilities to continue to help individuals and families move into housing security.

We hope this variety of entry-points and levels of participation will enable each individual at St. Andrews to engage in God's Work. Our Hands. Kickoff Sunday! Many thanks to the Outreach, Social Concerns, and Education Committees, and the Pine Ridge Ministry, and Tanzania Ministry Teams for coordinating these wonderful service opportunities!

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Sonja

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ~THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S~

- Sunday, *Worship*, 10:30 am, Sanctuary and [Livestream](#)
- Sunday, *Fellowship*, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, *St. Andrew's Book Club*, 6:15 pm, St. Andrew's Youth Room
- Wednesday, *Faith Book Study Meeting*, 7 am, Hy-Vee West Market Grille
- Wednesday, *Choir*, 7 pm, Sanctuary
- Thursday, *Saving Suds*, 4-7 pm, Squeaky Clean Laundromat
- Thursday, *Pine Ridge Donation Time*, 6-8 pm, Room 2 at St. Andrew's
- *For a full listing of events, check out the St. Andrew's calendar at [standrewsames.org/calendar/](http://standrewsames.org/calendar/)*

### **A Sincere Thank You from the Maynard Tweed family to Property Committee & Council**

Thank you for the railings, new steps and new sidewalk leading to the Columbarium. After Maynard's internment in the Columbarium, we realized I could NOT go down those 2 hi-rise steps without a railing. We knew then that we wanted to designate monies received from his memorial to be used to help defray some of the expenses of the project. I am very pleased with the completed sidewalk, 3 lower rise steps, and railings on each side of the steps. Now I think anyone can safely manage the steps to Columbarium. Thank you. – *Violet and Maynard Tweed family*

### **God's Work. Our Hands T-Shirts Available Today!**

If you have not yet paid for the shirt, payment can be sent to the office via mail, dropped off in the office M-F from 9 am-3 pm, or placed in the offering plate on Sunday morning! We can't wait to see you all showing off your new St. Andrew's garb soon!

### **Signup Now for Fall Bible Study Opportunities: *The Story***

This fall St. Andrew's will embark on an exploration of the Bible, using a resource called *The Story*, which is a chronological rewriting of the stories from the Bible in narrative form. Volunteers are needed to help lead groups, so please consider if you feel called to explore the Bible with a small group of children or adults.

Online registration is available [via this link](#) or you may contact the office. Books are now available in the office during office hours or on Sundays at the table in the narthex. Please contact the office if you have any questions!

### **Service and Learning with Breakfast; 9 am Beginning September 18**

Our first meeting will include an introduction to our new curriculum, *The Story*, and breakfast which will feature **French Toast casserole, bacon, and assorted beverages!** Please contact Miriam Moreno at [miriam@standrewsames.org](mailto:miriam@standrewsames.org) with any questions regarding the breakfast or with any allergies/food sensitivities if you plan to eat breakfast!

### **Service and Learning Breakfast Schedule (All breakfasts provide juice, milk, and coffee!)**

- Sunday, September 18: French Toast Casserole and Bacon
- Sunday, September 25: Ham and Cheese/Veggie Quiche
- Sunday, October 2: Assorted Scones and Bacon
- October 9: Biscuits and Gravy Casserole and Fruit

**Faith Book Study Continues This Week!** Join us each week at 7 am at the West Ames Hy-Vee Market Grille! We are reading *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis, and it is not too late to join! Please contact Dave Krumm with any questions. Please contact the office if you'd like us to order you a book, which are \$15 each.

### **Fighting Through Kinship 5K 2022**

Join Kinship Brewing company for our second annual Fighting Through Kinship 5K on October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9 am-12 pm. Come run, walk, or roll with us as we raise money and awareness to show support to Jess, the many other breast cancer previvors and survivors, and their families. Learn more or sign up [using this link!](#)

### **Save the Date for St. Andrew's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Renaissance Faire October 2**

Huzzah! St. Andrew's will be hosting our Ren Faire on October 2 from 3-6 pm. This fun medieval festival will include food, games, music, royalty, and more! Additional features will include a Raising Readers booth, all things pumpkin, and dancing! Keep an eye out for more details to come!

### **~NOTABLES~**

#### **Worship Assistants This Week (9/11/2022)**

Assisting Minister – **Dave Putz**  
Reader – **Philip Dixon**  
Greeter – **Ruth Shreve**  
Ushers – **Al Jergens, John Kovar**  
Communion Setup – **Kris Miles**  
Communion Servers – **Margaret Sherve, Lynn Miller**  
Tech – **Don Behning**  
Fellowship – **Outreach**

#### **Worship Assistants Next Week (9/18/2022)**

Assisting Minister – **Kyra Meyer**  
Reader – **Jon Christy**  
Greeter – **Cheryl and Paul White**  
Ushers – **John and Carol Moran**  
Communion Setup – **John and Carol Moran**  
Communion Servers – **Jon and Janeen Christy**  
Tech – **Brent Anderson**  
Fellowship – **Pine Ridge**

### **Happy September Anniversary**

Glynn and Dagmar Frank (4), Joann and John Kovar (4), Judy and Jim Denato (4)

### **Happy September Birthday**

Emily Frescoln (1), Christina McClelland (4), Dave Krumm (9), Al Jergens (10), Glynn Frank (13), Nicholas Jensen (13), Joann Kovar (15), Ben Buck (22), Kathryn Baker (25), Tim Moran (25), Aaron Greving (29)

~PRAYERS~

**Lowell Elwick, John Sherve** (relative of Margaret Sherve), **Janet Bentley** (mother of Janet Dixon), **Annette (Thompson) Bodnar** (niece of Alice Thompson), **Anita Whitaker** (Mother of Sheri Krumm), **Troy Eagen** (Sharon Anderson's son-in-law), **John Litzel, Libby Litzel Gull, Mark Ekeren** (brother of Sarah Buck), **Jane Ellis, Wayne Thompson** (brain tumor), **Marilyn Saunders** (Gene Pollmann's sister), **Alice Becher** (Stephen Loucks' mother), **Marjorie Allison, Gene Takle, Lou Jordan** (Dagmar Frank's cousin), **Nancy Owen** (Carol Putz's cousin, battling cancer), **Roxanne Labandz** (niece of Alice Thompson), **Pat Fawcett, Kolleen Tweed Sogard** (daughter of Violet & Maynard Tweed), **Robert Pollmann** (Gene Pollmann's brother), **Mike & Kayla Endorf** (cousins of Dagmar Frank), **Joan Dubberke, Diane** (Carol Putz's sister w/long COVID), **Lester & Alycia Carlsborg, Ben Buck, Stu Endorf** (Dagmar Frank's cousin), **James Loritz** (nephew of Alice Thompson), **Karen Hardy** (Rita Peterson's sister), **Susan Teas, Douglas John Putz** (brother of Dave Putz), the family of **June Larrow** (Gayle Osterberg's sister), the family of **Dick Whitaker** (Father of Sheri Krumm).

For all those suffering from loneliness and grief, addiction and illness-both mental and physical, poverty and need, war and strife; we pray to the Lord to bless them and give them peace. We continue to pray for the health and needs of the people in the Ames Community, the Pine Ridge Reservation, the Hedaru and Agape Parishes in Tanzania, and all communities throughout the world.



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*Committed to Christ and Community*

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