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## From the Pastor

In worship on Sunday, August 6, we will have a Blessing of the Backpacks. We invite all students and educators, young and old, to bring your backpack, messenger bag, or tote bag to worship. We'll celebrate the new school year and pray for students and teachers. You'll also get a tag to go on your bag to remind you that God, and the love and support of your church family, goes with you everywhere you go.

We're inviting the families from the St. Andrews School to join us that morning too. If you have a friend or neighbor who's a teacher or student you can invite them, too. If you've been wondering just how to invite someone to church without sounding like one of *those* people, this is your chance. Try this: "Hey, my church is blessing backpacks this Sunday - would you like to come?"

We'll also continue our summer reading sermon series through Labor Day weekend, the traditional end of the summer (despite what local schools say). That Sunday, September 3, will also be a hymn sing woven in with the reading of *The Forgiveness Garden* by Lauren Thompson. I've really enjoyed exploring scripture in conversation with these books and hope you have too. Learning the stories behind the stories has been interesting, as well. Some of you have even shared your favorites with me. I look forward to adding the story of the Wemmicks to my collection (thanks, Ellingsons!). If you have books you think I should check out, please let me know.

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Camille". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Camille**

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## From the Treasurer

In June, our income was \$30,156.78 , and our expenses totaled \$38,460.02 . The year-to-date figures are \$206,208.79 income and \$209,293.97 expenses. Thus we have a year-to-date deficit of \$3,085.18, which is not bad for this time of the year (i.e., summer).

Currently we have a mortgage balance of \$451,282.50 . We have \$113,625.87 in our mortgage fund, and a monthly payment of \$4111. Thus we have funds on hand to cover over 27 months of payments.

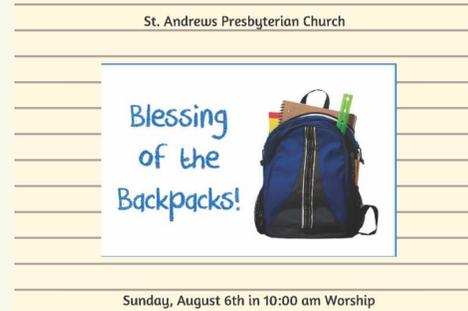
Let me know if you have any questions.

Al Smith, Treasurer

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## Blessing of the Backpacks

We hope that families, friends, teachers and students young and old will join us for this special opportunity in worship to get your backpack blessed, and prepare to start the new school year off well. Bring your backpack, tote bag, or messenger bag, join in a special prayer of blessing, and receive a tag for your bag to remind you that wherever you go, God goes with you.



Sunday, August 6th, during 10 am Worship

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## Directories

Our new, pictorial directories have arrived. Church members may pick up their copy from the office, Monday-Friday from 9-1.

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## Vespers

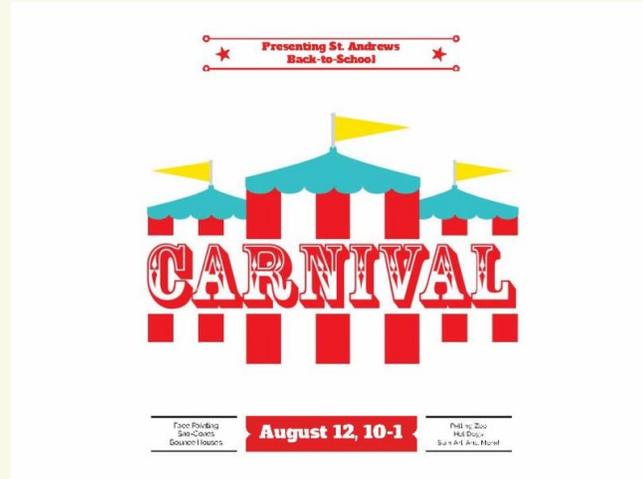
Please join us for our final Vespers service this summer on Sunday, August 6th at 5:00 pm. The service will be led by our seminary intern Colleen Cook and will take place in the youth lounge. We will use a contemporary Vespers liturgy from the Iona

Community. We'll reflect on the ancient practice, on nightfall, and on the language we use when we talk to God.

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## Back-to-school Carnival

Saturday, August 12th is our annual Back to School Carnival, from 10 am until 1 pm! There will be lots of fun including bounce houses, a petting zoo, spin art, sno-cones, hot dogs and more!



Last year, around 300 people dropped in, which means this is a great opportunity for ALL members of our St Andrews family to participate and welcome our visiting Tucker neighbors. Please come and join in the fun!

If you are able to volunteer, please let Jill Jarvis know. [Click here](#) to email her, or 770-923-3370.

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## Coro Voci Concert

Directed by Ed Weaver



Water- the Essence of Life

August 27th at 3:00 pm. Join Coro Voci on a water journey from rivers to seas and from storm to calm.

Explore the ways in which water affects our lives through the music of Eric Whitacre, Dan Forrest, André Thomas, Moses Hogan, Paul Simon, and others. Reception following in Heffner Hall.

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## Traveling This Summer?

[Click here](#) to go to our website where you can listen

to the sermon and view the bulletin.

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## **Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee is currently in the process of identifying and nominating a slate of elder and deacon candidates to present to the congregation later this fall. Members of the congregation who wish to suggest someone (either one's self or another member) for these positions should share these names with any member of the Nominating Committee for consideration, or complete the Nominating Committee Suggestion Card found in the pews and return it in the offering plate. Nominating Committee members are Paul Burns, Debbie Brillling, Molly Darnell, Jeff Nelson, and Bret Moore.

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## **Youth News**

### **July Trips Report**

The youth group had a busy summer! In June, we went with 11 youth and four adults to Mobile, AL for a week of mission work. In July, we attended two Montreat conferences. Six of our high school students (Marco Compton, Rachel Ellingson, Preston Jones, Bariture Komi, Kate Kubik and Nathan Phillips) and two adults (Steve Sankey and Susan Talgo) attended Montreat Youth Conference in Montreat, North Carolina. Three of our middle school students (William Ashby, Mary Cook, and Sarah Phillips) traveled to Maryville College in Maryville, Tennessee to attend the Montreat Middle Conference. Look forward to hearing from us August 20th in worship to tell you about our travels to Montreat and a stories from our June mission trip to Mobile.



Senior High at Montreat

### **2017-18 Youth Council**

We have formed a youth council at St. Andrews to represent parents and youth. They will meet quarterly

and report to the Education Committee and Session. These are the members of the 2017-18 Youth Council

Youth:

Bariture Komi  
Kate Kubik  
Corinna Papotto  
Sarah Phillips  
Andy Todd

Parents:

Laura Papotto  
Sara Cooper

### **Mark Your Calendar**

Pool Party at Paul's House, Sunday, August 27th, 4-7 p.m. All parents and youth are invited to a pool party for information about youth group this year and to kick-off the year at the home of Paul Burns. More information to come.

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### **Rally Day**

Join us for an old-fashioned Rally Day at 9:00 AM on Sunday, September 10th. We'll all gather together for a continental breakfast and time of fellowship. Our children and youth will meet their teachers, and go off to their classes. Our adults will stay to find out about the various adult education opportunities planned for Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings this fall.

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### **Baby Shower**

The church family is invited to a baby shower, Sunday, August 6, 11 a.m. following the worship service in the Youth Lounge. We are showering Laura and Bret Moore as they await the birth of their third child, a baby boy. Laura and Bret haven't registered for gifts, but they will need lots of diapers, some baby boy clothes, bibs, receiving blankets and other things a new baby might need. For more information, [click here](#) to contact [Phyllis Bearden](#)

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### **Potpourri Sunday School Class**

Potpourri Sunday School Class has begun a 6-week study of the book *My Heart - Christ's Home* by Rev. Robert Boyd Munger, based on his essay of the same title regarding the "ABC's of the Christian life."

Copies are available from Cokesbury or Amazon, but no reading is required. A class schedule with scripture list and a copy of the essay (that generally

follows the lessons of the book) is on the [Sunday School web page](#) and available in class. Questions: Contact [Mike Bearden](#) 404-660-8234

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## CSA News

The garden continues to produce! St. Andrews and Riverview Farms partner in a CSA, a way for Tucker tables to be filled with organic, locally grown produce. Each week interesting boxes of 5-7 items are delivered to St. Andrews where CSA members who pay in advance pick them up. [The farm](#), is famous for its fresh food which provides nourishment and flavor deep into the fall. If interested in participating, contact [Mary Evans](#) 770-493-9489

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## News from Building Families

What do you typically do when you become angry or frustrated with your child or grandchild? For many, anger and frustration can lead to yelling, stomping, being too harsh with correction, and a lot of stress for you and your child or grand-child. We all have different reactions to anger that are instantaneous, but we can start to control these reactions when we have a plan.

In the [link provided here](#), there is a handout with the steps of how to make you own Calming Down Plan. Fill this out for yourself and practice the steps with your spouse, or a close friend. You can then use it when you become frustrated or angry. Once you have experienced success with these steps, you can then use this handout to teach your children how to have a Calm Down Plan also.

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## News from St. Andrews School

Greetings,

We've had an exciting summer camp program at St. Andrews School and we regret seeing it come to an end. Assistant Director Stephanie Train, and our After-School Coordinator, Diane Eubanks, went

above and beyond expectations to ensure that the campers enjoyed their summer. We were blessed to have had a group of energetic camp counselors that challenged and engaged the campers in fun activities each day. We would like to say a very special thank you to Pasty Cannon for sharing her love of art with the Campers. The paintings that the children completed under her direction were absolutely wonderful. We have received very positive feedback from parents and students about the summer camp program. It has been a delight to have provided a memorable for our campers and their families this year.

With the summer coming to an end, we look ahead to the beginning of the new school year; our first day of school will be August 7th. Please keep all of our staff and students in prayer, as we embark upon a new adventure - growing and learning at St. Andrews School.

In Christ,

Ann McKinney, Director

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## **Connect with the world as you sip coffee or tea!**

You can make a world of difference by bringing fairly traded coffee, tea, and chocolate to your table. People of faith nationwide live out their values through their consumer choices. One such choice is the purchase of fair trade products. Fair Trade is a process of giving a fair exchange.

Farmers provide high-quality products at a fair price to you and, by cutting out the middlemen, you pay farmers more. Fair trade allows small farming communities independence and the ability to provide for their families, green our planet and build a better future. Join the movement! St. Andrews will place a quarterly order for fair trade coffee and tea in August. Please find order forms in the narthex and place orders in the offering plate or with Mary Evans, 770-493-9489, by August 14.

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## **August Birthdays and Anniversaries**

### **Birthdays**

2<sup>nd</sup> Elena Weaver

4<sup>th</sup> Irene Davis

7<sup>th</sup> Liz Gilmer

12<sup>th</sup> Nathan Phillips, Lisa Temples

19<sup>th</sup> Peter Ashby, Paula Gleason  
21<sup>st</sup> Anna Brechin  
25<sup>th</sup> Charles Mills, Susan Williams  
27<sup>th</sup> Patsy Cannon  
29<sup>th</sup> Nell Foster, Rose Horne  
31<sup>st</sup> Martha Robertson

### **Anniversaries**

9<sup>th</sup> Jimmie & John Artley  
16<sup>th</sup> Burelle & Earl Meeks  
23<sup>rd</sup> Dorothy & Dennis Buchanan  
26<sup>th</sup> Gloria & Bob Williams  
30<sup>th</sup> Caroline & Bob Patton  
Lisa & Burt Temples

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### **Upcoming Events**

Carnival- August 12, 10-1  
Coro Voci - August 27, 3 pm  
Rally Day - September 10  
Fall BBQ - October 1  
Kirking of the Tartans - October 29

Please click here see [our calendar](#) for all our upcoming events.

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### **DeKalb Glass Recycling Alert**

DeKalb County is no longer accepting glass in its curbside single-stream recycling program. Instead, DeKalb now offers residents dedicated county-operated glass recycling drop-off locations featuring a glass sort-separation process. Residents are asked to rinse used food and beverage glass containers at home before sorting and placing them in county-operated glass recycling containers located at Tucker Recreation Center and at other locations throughout the county.

DeKalb is the first county in Georgia to offer an official glass recycling drop-off program in an urban area. This program should extend a landfill's useful life, lower production costs for glass container manufacturers, create jobs in the glass container and fiberglass industries, and conserve natural resources/reduce the consumption of raw materials.

St. Andrews Caring for Creation encourages members to engage in this nationwide trend to divert glass from landfills. Please join the quest to make glass a more sustainable and valuable recyclable material.

