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Andrews. Last September, Michael began serving as our school-year intern with the intention of getting more experience with preaching and worship, adult and children's education, and administration.

We have been blessed by his presence among us as he has planned and led worship, taught an Advent

adult Sunday school class and WOW, led chapel for the children in our weekday school, and worked behind the scenes with the annual budget and other office and administrative processes. In the next few weeks Michael will be finishing up his second year at Columbia Theological Seminary. This summer he will participate in an intensive course of Clinical Pastoral Education and chaplaincy in the Emory Healthcare system. We wish Michael all the best in the next part of his journey and look forward to seeing where God takes him as he follows the call to ministry.



Michael leading Chapel for the Preschool

From the Treasurer

In March, our income was \$33,753.13, and our expenses totaled \$38,481.07. The year-to-date figures are \$96,644.99 income and \$102,897.02 expenses. Thus, we have a year-to-date deficit of \$6,252.03, which is not unusual for this time of the year.

Currently we have a mortgage balance of \$479,116.54. We have \$117,188.87 in our mortgage fund, and a monthly payment of \$4111. Therefore, we have funds on hand to cover 28 months of payments.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Al Smith, Treasurer

Welcome our Newest Members!



Francine Elle (right) and Judi Caellar Zeugang (left) joined us at the session meeting on April 23rd by reaffirmation of faith.

Both come from the Republic of Cameroon, where they speak French, and were raised in the Presbyterian Church there. Francine moved to the Atlanta area five years ago to study and is completing her degree in Mechanical Engineering at Georgia Tech. Judi also moved here to continue her education. We're glad to have them both at St. Andrews.

39ers

The 39ers will meet Monday, May 1st in Heffner Hall at 11:30 am. The program will be Bob Roberts' comedy, magic, and ventriloquism show. Please bring \$8 for lunch. We hope to see you there!

Last call...for this trip!

If you would like to experience Thornwell, our Presbyterian ministry with children and families, it's time to sign up. The bus leaves early on the morning of **May 4** for a trip to Clinton, SC where we will tour the historic campus, see the cottages and campus church, observe children in the Learning Center, enjoy a meal together (\$10) and meet Cliff on the farm. The day concludes at 3 PM with a ride through the Presbyterian College campus en route to Atlanta.

For 142 years Presbyterians have ministered to children and families that face difficulties. Join this journey as we learn together about the state of

child care today.

Contact [Mary Evans](#), 770-493-9489 for answers to your questions and to sign up for the trip.

Baby Shower

Everyone is invited to a church-wide shower, Sunday, May 7, at 11 am, in the Youth Lounge to celebrate the anticipated arrival of Landon's little brother to Shelley Thompson and Leigh Ann Millican. We can't wait to welcome a new baby to our congregation.

Please RSVP by emailing [Phyllis Bearden](#).

Need Ideas? Please see their registry [here](#).

Fresh from the organic garden!

St. Andrews will once again host a CSA with Riverview Farms located in Jasper, GA from May 10 to November 29. Each week Riverview will bring boxes of locally grown, organic produce to St. Andrews for Wednesday afternoon pick up. Sign up NOW, for every week pick up or for every other week pick up, and enjoy the fresh, tasty, nutritious food the farm produces: sweet corn, popcorn, melons, tomatoes, garlic, field peas, okra, and onions, in addition to many other veggies and fruits...like apples in the fall and surprises like cornmeal, grits, or even preserved produce to round things out.

For additional information and the best price act now contact [Mary Evans](#) or [Riverview Farms](#).

May 13 is Tucker Day!

Volunteer for a shift at St. Andrews' booth! From 9 AM to 5 PM, we'll be sharing the great news of our welcoming congregation with our neighbors, inviting them to our family-friendly summer activities, and helping children make their own harmonicas! To sign up for a shift [click here](#), or contact [Paige Kubik](#), or 404-895-4210.

St. Andrews Youth News

Graduating Seniors

Victoria Ashby is graduating from Tucker High School. She will attend LaSalle University in Philadelphia to study environmental science and play on their water polo team.

Rachel Ellingson is graduating from DeKalb School of the Arts. She will be attending Emory University to major in clinical psychology and minor in women and gender studies.

Caroline Johnston is graduating from Chamblee Charter High School. She will be attending University of Georgia in the Fall and plans to enroll in the College of Social Work.

Daniel Jones is graduating from Tucker High School. After graduation, he will go to Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach, FL. He plans to major in Business Administration

Jared Kubik is graduating from Tucker High School. He plans to attend Georgia Perimeter College for two years and transfer to SCAD in Savannah to pursue a degree in architecture.

Lawn Mower Repair Saturday, May 13 and 20th 9a-12pm Have a lawn mower that doesn't start after winter? Need your blade sharpened? Paul Burns will be teaching some of our youth, and any adults who want to learn, how to repair lawn mowers. The services will be free and are open to church members, families of the St. Andrews School, and the tucker community. Bring your lawnmower to the shed and we'll get you back mowing in no time! If you are interested in helping to teach how to fix or learn how to fix the lawnmowers, contact Paul Burns. Trips, Lawn Mower Repair, etc.

Connect with the world as you sip coffee or tea!

Coffee, tea and chocolate...none of these foods can be grown in the US, so all are imported. As a result, US consumers are particularly disconnected from the sources of these staples of our 21st-century diet and the farmers who grow them.

Equal Exchange Co-op and the Presbyterian

Coffee Project offer a connection.

People of faith can live out their values by choosing to connect with farming families through purchases of fairly traded and organic products. These purchases enable farming communities to benefit from democratically run cooperatives, provide for their families, stay on their land, build a business and improve their communities. Products that are organically grown require farmers to raise crops sustainably thus restoring and preserving our planet. Farmers protect and improve forest cover and habitat for migratory birds and other wildlife through shade farming. They preserve local river water quality, improving the soil and preventing erosion. They keep toxic pesticides and chemical fertilizers out of the land and water as they green our planet and build a better future.

The St. Andrews quarterly sale of coffee and tea is in progress. Use forms in the narthex or contact [Mary Evans](#), 770-493-9489.

Place orders by May 14.

THANK YOU for supporting farming families around the world.

Building Families Update

I have had a busy month this month. I met the school counselors at Livsey and Brockett Elementary Schools. I also met the Preschool Directors at First Baptist Tucker and First United Methodist, and the Director of Family and Children's Ministries at First United Methodist Church. All of these community professionals seem excited about the Building Families Program and about partnering with us. Additionally, I took information to Shallowford Presbyterian's School.

I am leading a 6-week Parenting Class at St. Andrews through April 22nd. I am currently working with one family here in Tucker, and I have another family scheduled for a refresher in July. I also have a new referral for follow-up, as well as seven families who have completed the program, whom I support monthly. Please be in prayer as I continue to spread the word about this wonderful program in the Tucker

community. Pray and think about connections you have in the community and to whom you could introduce me, e.g. school teachers, community counselors, therapists, pediatricians, community agencies, professionals, and parents. Pray for the family I am currently working with and for those I will be working with in the future.

Thank you for sharing your space with me. I love being at St. Andrews.

[Sarah "Say" Spencer](#), LCSW
Building Families
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May Birthdays

1st	Deborah Brilling & Martha Decker
2nd	Betsy Floyd
3rd	Carly Hill
8th	Margaret Mueller
9th	Louis Todd
17th	Hugh Wood & Patricia Baker
19th	Sophia Ayuk
21st	Michael Bearden
25th	Monica Komi
26th	Phyllis Jennings & Jonathan Westbrook
27th	Foster Bryan
30th	Leigh Ann Millican

May Anniversaries

3 rd	Charlton & Jenny Allen
18 th	Robbie & Betsy Floyd
22 nd	Tom & Lisa Wolfgang Jonathan & Camille Powell
28 th	Joseph & Sarah Cooper
30 th	Mike & Kimberly Rometo
31 st	Bona & Sue Puckett

News from St. Andrews School

Greetings from St. Andrews School, With spring break over, we are eager to get back into the swing of things. The children shared wonderful memories of family vacations, enjoying the Easter egg hunt, and fun activities at SAPC.

The next few weeks will be equally as busy for the school, as we draw close to the end of the

school year. The children are very excited about singing at the church on Sunday, May 7th. It is always a joy to hear them perform for all of you.

The school held its last spirit night of the year at Brusters on April 12th. We would like to thank all of you for your support of the school. Our monthly fundraisers have been very successful because of your love and devotion. Thank You!

Regards,
Ann McKinney, Director

Upcoming Events

- June 9 Square Dance, 6-8 pm
- July 28 Magic Show 6:30-8:30 pm
- August 12 Back to School Carnival
- September 23 Race for Grace (R4G)

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