



BELIEVE: ACT

As we continue with the BELIEVE study, we are shifting from *beliefs* to *practices*. During the **THINK** section of the study, we asked the question, “What do I believe?” What you believe drives who you become, and the goal is to become like Jesus. The proverb, “As a man thinks in his heart, so is he” is a great visual for us on this journey. We are looking to understand these amazing Biblical truths and then internalize them so that they kick-start who we ultimately become.

The **ACT** section of the study asks, “What shall I do?” As we move into the set of Ten Practices, it is treated as a second series, tied to the first, and intrinsically tied to the third, the set of Ten Virtues. While practices have an external expression and value to them, spiritual practices help drive beliefs into the heart. The Christian life is a full-contact sport that involves the mind, the heart, the soul, and strength; spiritual practices are really like physical training. Obviously, Paul talks about it quite extensively, saying that physical training is of some value, but spiritual training is of great value. We were reminded of this repeatedly throughout our Olympics-themed summer series. Spiritual discipline is another word for the concept of spiritual practices.

In the next ten lessons of our BELIEVE study, we will explore the ten key spiritual practices of the Christian life. We will look at how you take these big ideas of our faith and move them from a concept in our head to a real sense of buying it in our heart so that it begins to change who we become.

- Pastor Tara

Upcoming Sermons

AUGUST 4

Go for Gold: Cheer
Hebrews 10:19-25

AUGUST 11

Kickoff Sunday
Go for Gold: Victory
1 Corinthians 15:50-58

AUGUST 18

BELIEVE: Worship
How Do I Honor God?
Psalm 34

AUGUST 25

BELIEVE: Prayer
Why Should I Pray?
Psalm 25

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please call or email the office with newsletter submissions on or before **August 22, 2024.**

August 18 – November 3



August birthdays

August 3 Suzy Buehrle
August 3 Larry Crumpton
August 9 Elijah Thompson
August 10 Will Nichols
August 10 Shelly Rao
August 11 Martha Pate
August 18 Savannah Thompson
August 19 Barbara Batty
August 20 Bob Fisher
August 21 John Buehrle
August 21 Mark Russo
August 22 Liz Rice
August 23 Laura Bridges
August 28 Dalton Abel
August 28 Sara Hope Burnside
August 28 Gail Moore
August 29 Tom Bell

In Our Prayers

In the Congregation

Bobbie Wied
 Greta Ott
 Evelyn Lord
 Linda Sparkman
 Beth Ann Mistrot
 Bob Fisher
 Barbara and Dalton Abel
 Kay Long

Friends and Family

Charles Monaghan
 Ed Richman
 Jerry Linn
 Madeline Johnson
 David Cobble
 Erika Russell
 Karen Thompson Butler
 Val Rayzor
 Mary Kennedy
 Thomas Fisher
 Jack Dillard
 Erin Lenhart
 Janie Niederstadt Verderame

New Directory Deadline Approaching

The last St. Andrew's Directory was printed in 2022. It's time for an update! You should have received a membership profile card in the mail in July, and the deadline to fill it out and return it is **Kickoff Sunday, August 11**. If you never received a card or need another, they are available on the sanctuary tables or in the Church Office. A digital form is available at saintandy.org/events-media/documents.

These cards are a chance for us to make sure your contact information, emergency contacts, and interests are current in the church database and directory.

We also want updated pictures, and very few of you have submitted these! This ensures that the directory is helpful for new members as they try to match faces with names. If you need help taking a new picture, we will have a photo booth (and extra membership profile cards) on Kickoff Sunday.

Marshall Middle School Drive Results



This summer, St. Andrew's sponsored a school supply drive for Marshall Middle School. They were grateful to receive the supplies! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to collect the following for students and teachers in our community:

168 pocket file folders	11 packages of highlighters
52 packs of post-it notes	10 packs of paper
46 manila folders	9 packs of hand wipes
30 composition books	8 calculators
28 hanging file folders	8 three-subject binders
26 one-subject binders	8 boxes of crayolas
24 packs of colored pencils	5 index cards
22 packages of ballpoint pens	5 tab dividers
21 boxes of Kleenex	2 pencil pouches
20 packages of dry erase markers	1 package of rulers
17 pencils	1 package sharpie gel pens
13 hard binders	1 package of scissors
12 erasers	



August



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
KEY MOW = Meals On Wheels PW = Presbyterian Women SK @ SOP = Soup Kitchen at Some Other Place				1 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers	2 7:00AM Men's Breakfast	3 3:00PM Astros Bus Departs 6:15PM Astros Game
4 9:15AM Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 3:00PM Youth Roller Skating	5 	6 10:00AM PW Coordinating 11:00AM Kindness Kits 11:00AM Staff Meeting 5:30PM Fellowship Team 6:30PM Christian Education	7 8:15AM Soup Kitchen 6:30PM Mission and Evangelism	8 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers	9 	10 8:30AM SETX Food Bank
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MEET THE RICHMONDS!

Clyde and Ruth Richmond officially became members on Sunday, June 30. If you haven't already, make sure to say hello and introduce yourself. Here is a little bit about the Richmonds:



CLYDE RICHMOND

Where are you from?
Wesley Methodist Church

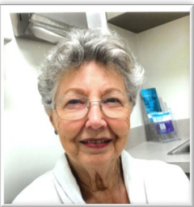
What do you do for a living?
I am retired and have been since 1993.

What brought you to St. Andrew's?

We have enjoyed living across the street from St. Andrew's for many years. My wife has been to your Bible studies for many years, too. We have attended many activities at your church prior to joining.

What's an interesting fact about yourself?
My commitment to the Lord Jesus.

What are some of your favorite Bible verses?
John 3:16



RUTH RICHMOND

Where are you from?
Wesley Methodist Church

What do you do for a living?
I am a retired RN—although actually, a nurse never retires, especially if she's a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother!


What brought you to St. Andrew's?

Who? The Lord! We love having the church as our neighbor. I love walking across the street to meet with other lovers of Christ's Word. I thank the Lord for planting us where he did 30 years ago.

What's an interesting fact about yourself that not many people know?

1. I'm a quilter.
2. I have hyperacusis — I can't tolerate loud noise. You'll see me removing my hearing aids when the organ plays and the choir sings. I really miss singing in the choir.

What are some of your favorite Bible verses?
"Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for You are the one I praise." Jeremiah 17:14.



The Hope Resource Clinic's Baby Bottle Campaign received
\$1,298.93
from St. Andrew's folks this year!

For more information on how your donations make a difference for families in our community, visit www.hope-clinic.com.

God's Creation Calendars

God's Creation Calendars are available for preorder at the Church Office! They cost **\$15 each**, and you can pay once they arrive. Featuring beautiful color photographs and Bible verses, the calendars make great gifts.

January 2025						
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HELP US PACK KINDNESS KITS!

Tuesday, August 6, at 11:00AM in the Parlor

Kindness Kits are care packages for the less fortunate. Everyone is welcome to help us come prepare and pack the kits!



Pirate Sunday 2024

Save the date:
Sunday, September 22

Don your pirate hats and pirate costumes for worship at 10:30AM! Join us for a lunch of gumbo, coleslaw, and bread afterwards.

Youth Kayaking Trip

The St. Andrew's Youth Group had a fantastic time on their July 20 kayaking adventure! They went down Village Creek with Pastor Tara, Susan Reese, and Brian Armstrong.





• PIZZA AND GAMES • JULY 14, 2024 •



Day School Welcomes Gloria Pierce, New Director

On July 16, the St. Andrew's Day School officially welcomed Gloria Pierce, the new School Director, with a cupcake party and reception. Gloria is excited to join our team and grow alongside the St. Andrew's Day School and its families.

The Day School is still enrolling students—12 months through preK 4's—for the 2024-2025 year! Classes are held five days a week, ten months per year. The school is designed to provide your child a Christian atmosphere that allows them to thrive emotionally, socially, cognitively, physically, and spiritually. It's a great place to be! For more information, visit saintandy.org or contact dayschool@saintandy.org. We hope to see you this fall!

Chancel Flowers

Fresh flowers can be purchased for the chancel in memory or honor of loved ones. A standard arrangement is \$80. If you would like to sponsor the Sunday chancel flowers, email the church office or use the flower calendar outside the main office.



KICKOFF SUNDAY

AUGUST 11, 2024

- Pancake breakfast at
9:15AM
- Blessing of the
Backpacks in worship at
10:30AM
- Join us as Pastor Tara
wraps up her sermon
series, *Go for Gold*,
and we celebrate the
beginning of a new
school year!



WE NEED YOU! Ministry Opportunities

As we approach the end of summer break, now is a great time to look at your schedule and pray about how God can use you to make a difference this year. St. Andrew's has a number of outreach opportunities for you to consider. If you would like to volunteer or learn more about any of these areas of service, please reach out to the Church Office:

- Meals on Wheels: shoppers, drivers, and cooks (weekly on Thursday)
- Some Other Place Soup Kitchen (first Wednesday of every month)
- Southeast Texas Food Bank (second Saturday of each month)
- Youth Group: cooks and volunteers (weekly on Sunday)
- Children's Ministry: teachers and event volunteers
- Servant teams: cooks and servers for Fellowship events
- Audio-visual team (weekly on Sunday, as well as for special services)

Church-wide Bible study

On August 18, we will resume our church-wide Bible study! We have been working through Randy Frazee's *Believe*. In the spring we finished up the THINK portion of the study, which reminded us of our key beliefs and how they inform our lives. Now we are moving on to action—what do we *do* in our walks with Christ? If life got too busy earlier this year and you fell behind in the study, or even if you would like to join in for the first time, August is a great chance to dive in!

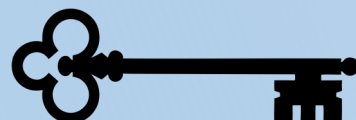
We still have sets of study materials available on the sanctuary table near the chancel, and we have a number of small groups for you to join so that you can discuss and examine each week's concepts together.

Sundays at 9:15AM:

- **Fellowship Class**, for men and women of all ages, meets in Room 3 and is led by Jan Pember.
- **Pew Sisters Class**, for women of all ages, meets in Room 2 and is led by Charlotte Schwarzlose.
- **Bible Discovery Class**, for men and women of all ages, meets in the library and is led by Bruce Partain.
- **Children's Sunday School**, for students in PreK through 5th grade, meets in Journey Room 304.

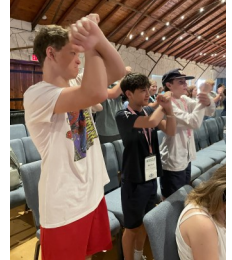
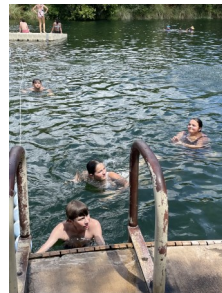
Other groups:

- **Tuesday Group**, for men and women of all ages, meets in the Study on Tuesdays at 6:30PM.
- **The Youth Group**, for youth grades 6-12, meets in the Youth Center from 5:00PM-7:00PM on Sundays.

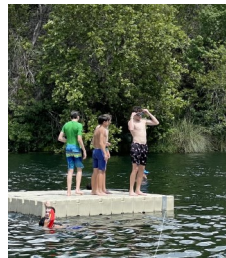
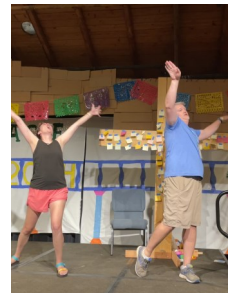


JUNIOR HIGH JUBILEE at

Pastor Tara, Brian Armstrong, and seven students from St. Andrew's attended the 2024 Junior High Jubilee at Mo-Ranch this July. Everyone had a blast! There were two stops at iconic Texas destinations on the way there and back, too: the largest Buc-EE's in Texas and the Alamo.



MO-RANCH, JULY 7-11





St. Andrew's Olympics

July 28, 2024

Marking the beginning of the 2024 Paris Olympics and Pastor Tara's *Go for Gold* sermon series, we hosted our very own Olympics! We ate the all-American PBJ sandwich and the (French) chicken salad croissant sandwiches for lunch before commencing our highly competitive sack races, javelin tosses, and other games.





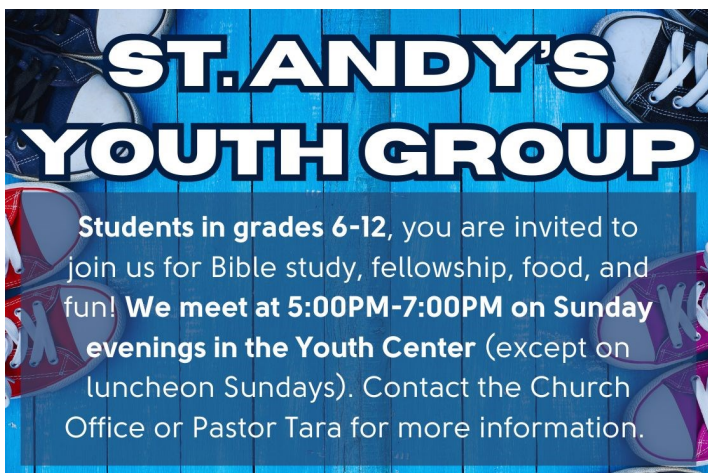
First Friday Men's Breakfast

Next meetings: 8/2 and 9/6 in the Parlor.
Men, join us on the first Friday of every month
for food, fellowship, and prayer!



PW 2024-2025 BIBLE STUDY

10:00AM in the Parlor
fourth Tuesday of each month (Sept. through May)
Studying Patricia K. Tull's *Let Justice Roll Down*,
with Pastor Tara facilitating



ST. ANDY'S YOUTH GROUP

Students in grades 6-12, you are invited to
join us for Bible study, fellowship, food, and
fun! We meet at 5:00PM-7:00PM on Sunday
evenings in the Youth Center (except on
luncheon Sundays). Contact the Church
Office or Pastor Tara for more information.

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANDREW'S

If you love music, there's a place for you at St. Andrew's! The Chancel Choir rehearses at 11:45AM on Sunday mornings; no experience is required. The St. Andrew's Handbell Choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 5:30PM-6:30PM and is hoping to find two more members for 2024-2025. Contact the Church Office for more information or would like to join.



St. Andrew's Day School

2024 School Supply Drive

July 1st - August 11th

You still have time to find and order
the requested supplies on Amazon at
<https://a.co/aCufsg0>

or if you prefer to shop in person, you
can pick up these supplies at your
favorite store:

- Hand wipes
- Disinfectant wipes
- White cardstock
- Colored cardstock
- Paper towels
- Hand soap refills
- Facial tissues

CONGRATS, CHIEF SINGLETARY!

Chief Jimmy Singletary retired
this summer after 54 years in
law enforcement and 13 years
as Chief of Police. Thank you
for your many years of service,
and we wish you all the best as
you start a new chapter in your
life!





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OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

The Tasting for Some Other Place

**August 13, 5:00PM-7:00PM
Beaumont Civic Center**

Tickets are on sale for \$10!
Contact Maryann Sweeney or the Church Office
to purchase tickets or for more details.