



# ST. ANDY'S REVIEW

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## UPCOMING SERMONS

AUGUST 3

**Sermon on the Mount:  
Dynamic Prayer**

Matthew 6:7-15

AUGUST 10

**Sermon on the Mount:  
Don't Worry, Be Happy**

Matthew 6:19-34

AUGUST 17

**Sermon on the Mount:  
Seeing Clearly**

Matthew 7:1-12

AUGUST 24

**Sermon on the Mount:  
Detecting Lies**

Matthew 7:13-20

AUGUST 31

**Sermon on the Mount:  
Choice of a Lifetime**

Matthew 7:21-29

Julie Odle Preaching



## summer's lease hath all too short a date Shakespeare's Sonnet 18

This time of year brings a mix of joy and sorrow. Like Shakespeare, we mourn the end of summer's freedom and pleasures as the start of school looms on the horizon. Yet, there is also the eagerness for a new year and the promise of new experiences. The same is true for the church. July is marked by fewer meetings and activities, a slower pace as folks drift in and out for camps and vacations. In August, everything resumes, and the new program year begins.

This time of year is like a "mini-New Year," a time to reset and start fresh. For most of us, our New Year's resolutions have long been abandoned, and perhaps even forgotten. Once I started thinking of August as the beginning of a new year, I naturally thought about Advent as the start of the Christian year. Which of course, made me think about all the Scriptures that promise new beginnings and new life - Lamentations 3:22-23, Isaiah 43:18, 2 Corinthians 5:17, and Revelation 21:5 for starters.

The beauty of these different "New Years" is they serve as a reminder that God's grace is always available and the Spirit is constantly at work. Every day is a perfect day to restart or begin something new. After all, Jesus said He is making (present tense) all things new.

At St. Andy's, we want everyone to **experience the love of Jesus and the joy of community**. So, I invite you to join in all our activities, share your gifts and talents, and participate in the amazing things Jesus is doing here. Worship with us and choose at least one other area of church life to get involved in. I cannot think of a better "mini-New Year" resolution! It's going to be a wonderful year!!

*-Pastor Tara*

## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Please call or email the office with newsletter submissions on or before **August 21, 2025**



## birthdays

August 3 Suzy Buehrle  
 August 3 Larry Crumpton  
 August 6 Bob Cleek  
 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 20 Phoebe Johnson  
 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  
 August 29 Charlotte Schwarzlose

## CHANCEL FLOWERS

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



## IN OUR PRAYERS

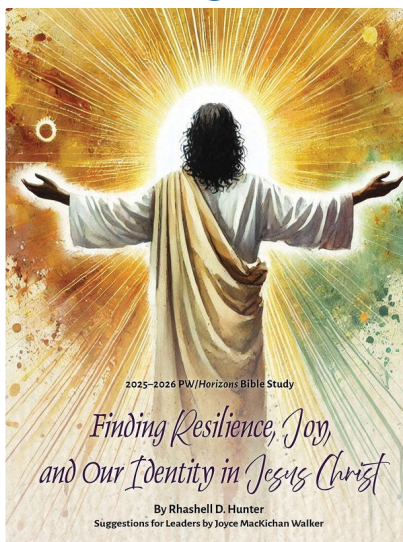
### In the Congregation

Suzy Buerhle, Family of Mary Miller, Linda Sparkman, Bob Fisher, Susanne Nichols, Beth Ann Mistrot, Barbara Abel, Dalton Abel

### Friends and Family

Pat Davenport, Family of Charles W. Pate, Pamela Humphrey, Gwen Feldt, Janet Dexter, Alison Berry Low, Kenna Gordon, Charlie Monaghan, David Fertitta, Tenisha Humphrey, Jacob Walton, Madeline Johnson, Erika Russell, Mary Kennedy, Thomas Fisher, Jack Dillard, Erin Lenhart, Janie Niederstadt Verderame

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Join us for the 2025 Bible study on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM in the Parlor. We will study *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ* by Rhashell D. Hunter. Pastor Tara will lead our first lesson based on John 20:11-18 and John 11:17-27 entitled "Mary Magdalene, the Tower," on September 21.

# Congregational Meeting

## August 3

Immediately following worship  
to hear and act on the report  
of the 2025 Nominating Committee



# GET TO KNOW OUR NEW MEMBERS

We are so excited to welcome our newest members! Take a moment to introduce yourselves when you see them.



## **Welcome Nancy Lynn Merrit Brandimarte!**

Nancy comes to us by a letter of transfer from Saint Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Denton, TX.

**Meet Nancy Brandimarte:** She is from Denton, TX, and was a jr. high math teacher for twenty-seven years! She moved to Beaumont due to her husband passing away and wanting to be near her two sons who live here. She was drawn to St. Andrew's by the feeling of warmth and friendliness from the members and Pastor Tara greeting her in the pews. One interesting fact that not many people know about her is that she moved 18 times through her husband's career with the military, the Gulf Oil Co., and Exxon. Some of her favorite Bible verses are Psalm 23, Romans 1-9, and Psalms 127 and 135-139. She also loves reading the story of Jesus's birth in Matthew and Luke.

## **Welcome Jody and Michelle Cagle!**

Jody and Michelle come to us by a letter of transfer from Woodcrest Methodist Church in Lumberton, TX.

**Meet Jody Cagle:** He is from Lumberton, TX, and is a member of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #479 Electrical Union. He has his Instrumentation Certificate through the union. He enjoys traveling with work and seeing much of the country through his job. He was brought to St. Andrew's by his wife Michelle. Some of his favorite verses are Romans 8:28 and Deuteronomy 31:8.



**Meet Michelle Cagle:** She is from Lumberton, TX, and is an SAPC preschool teacher working with three year olds. She says she loves everything about teaching from the kids, to dancing, singing, and crafting. Lesson planning is her jam! She says she loves being able to love and nurture children and see their faces light up when they learn something new. She began coming to St. Andrew's after working at the Day School and meeting Pastor Tara. An interesting fact about her is that she wants to be a worship singer! Some of her favorite Bible verses are John 3:16 and Romans 8:28. She also loves reading about Noah and the ark, and David and Goliath.



## **Welcome Charles, Haley, Hayes, Hank and Heidi Schwarzlose!**

Charles and Haley come to us by reaffirmation of faith.

**Meet Charles Schwarzlose:** He is from Beaumont, TX, and builds swimming pools for work. He loves that every day is different and that he gets to work outside. His mother, Charlotte Schwarzlose, brought him to St. Andrew's. His favorite Bible verse is Ezekiel 25:17.

**Meet Haley Schwarzlose:** She is from Beaumont, TX and teaches fourth grade at St. Anne Catholic School. She loves her coworkers and students. She came to St. Andrew's by attending with her mother-in-law. Her favorite Bible verse is John 8:29.



# LITTLE FLOCK

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



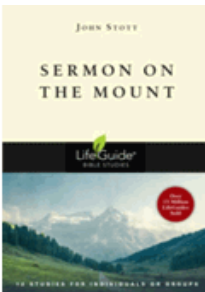
**DO NOT BE AFRAID, LITTLE FLOCK, FOR YOUR FATHER HAS BEEN PLEASED TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM. LUKE 12:32**

August 3:	God Helps David Defeat Goliath	1 Samuel 17:1-51
August 10:	God Helps Abigail Make Peace	1 Samuel 25:2-38
August 17:	God Gives Solomon Wisdom	1 Kings 3, Proverbs 1:1-7, Proverbs 2
August 24:	God Proves to Elijah He Is Real	1 Kings 18:1-40
August 31:	God Provides for Elisha and a Widow	2 Kings 4:1-7

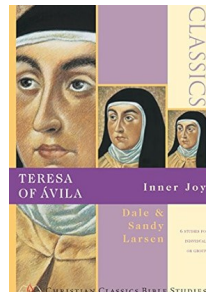
Following the Time for Children in worship, children in Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> meet volunteers at the sanctuary doors to go to the classroom for a child-friendly worship service. This time includes music, Bible teaching, and other activities. Parents pick up their children from this classroom at the end of worship.

The goal of Children's Church is to teach our children about worship while also helping them grow in their understanding of Scripture. Our curriculum is *Dig In: The Bible in One Year*.

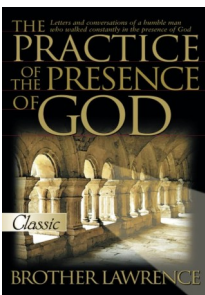
## ADULT CLASSES ON SUNDAYS



**Bible Discovery:** This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in the library. We are studying The Sermon on the Mount in conjunction with Pastor Tara's sermon series.



**Fellowship:** This group is for men and women of all ages. Meetings take place on Sunday mornings at 9:15AM in Room 3. We are studying Christian Classic Bible Studies. This series introduces the teachings of several influential figures of the Christian faith.



**Pew Sisters:** Pew Sisters is a group for women of all ages, and meets at 9:15AM on Sunday mornings in Room 2. We are studying "The Practice of the Presence of God" by Brother Lawrence.



**Sunday Group:** This group is for adults of all ages and meets at 6PM. However, we are taking a summer break. Stay tuned for details on the next study!

## NEW OFFICER TRAINING

New elders and deacons, mark these important dates on your calendars:

### New Officer Orientation:

Saturday, August 23  
9AM to 1PM

### Elder Training:

Sunday, September 21  
12:30PM to 3:30PM

### Deacon Training:

Sunday, October 26  
12:00PM to 3:00PM



# Water Fun Day

On July 20, we celebrated a water fun day to cool off during the Southeast Texas summer heat! A simple lunch of sandwiches, chips, and ice cream was served. Everyone got in on the fun.





## **ST. ANDREW'S DAY SCHOOL is now registering students for the 2025-2026 school year!**

The school provides a supportive and nurturing environment for children twelve months to four years old. For more information, check the St. Andrew's website or call at 409-892-8246.



## **BISD REGISTRATION**

For our families with BISD students: BISD recently underwent a district-wide rezoning. Because of these changes, all students-both new and returning-must complete registration for the upcoming school year. This includes returning students, who are now required to upload two current documents as proof of residency to verify their school zone placement.

## **SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE SUCCESS**

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

### **Marshall Middle School**

2 bottles of glue	10 boxes of Kleenex	14 packs of paper
99 glue sticks	8 boxes of dry erase markers	2 antibacterial wipes
38 composition books	15 boxes of pencils	43 pencil pouches
17 binders	37 pocket folders with brads	19 spiral notebooks
21 boxes of colored pencils	24 large erasers	8 packs of sticky notes
21 boxes of ballpoint pens	10 packages of highlighters	1 box of markers



### **St. Andrew's Day School**

2 sand/sensory tables	24 my first pencils
1 playpen	12 paint markers
5 climbing blocks	1 sand pit cover
8 large ice packs	6 dinosaur toys
3 dress-up kits	10 construction toys
7 STEM/sensory kits	1 ball pit
7 books	1 sensory wall





# August 2025

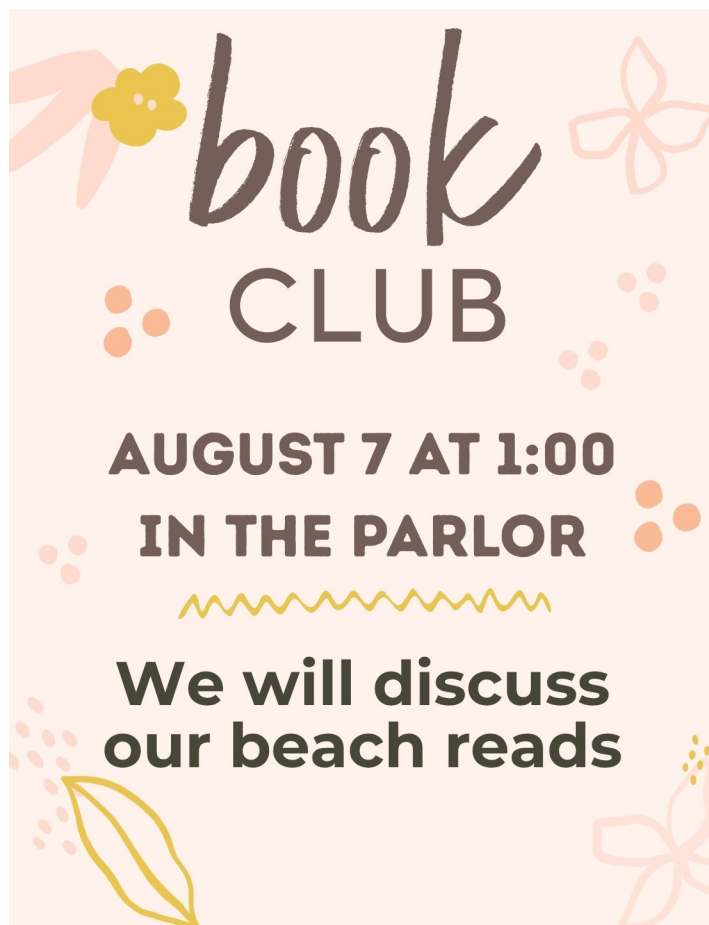
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10 KICK-OFF SUNDAY 9:30AM Breakfast 10:30AM Worship & Blessing of the Backpacks 11:45AM Choir Rehearsal 4:30PM Youth Pool Party	11 12:00PM Rainbow Room 6:00PM Golden Triangle Square Dancers	12 5:30PM Finance & Property	13 9:30AM Day School Chapel 5:30PM AA Group 5:30PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30PM Worship Team	14 8:30AM MOW Cooks 10:00AM MOW Delivers	15	16
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## First Friday Men's Breakfast

**August 1**  
**in the Parlor**  
**at 7AM**

Men, join us for food,  
fellowship, & prayer!



## book CLUB

**AUGUST 7 AT 1:00**  
**IN THE PARLOR**

We will discuss  
our beach reads

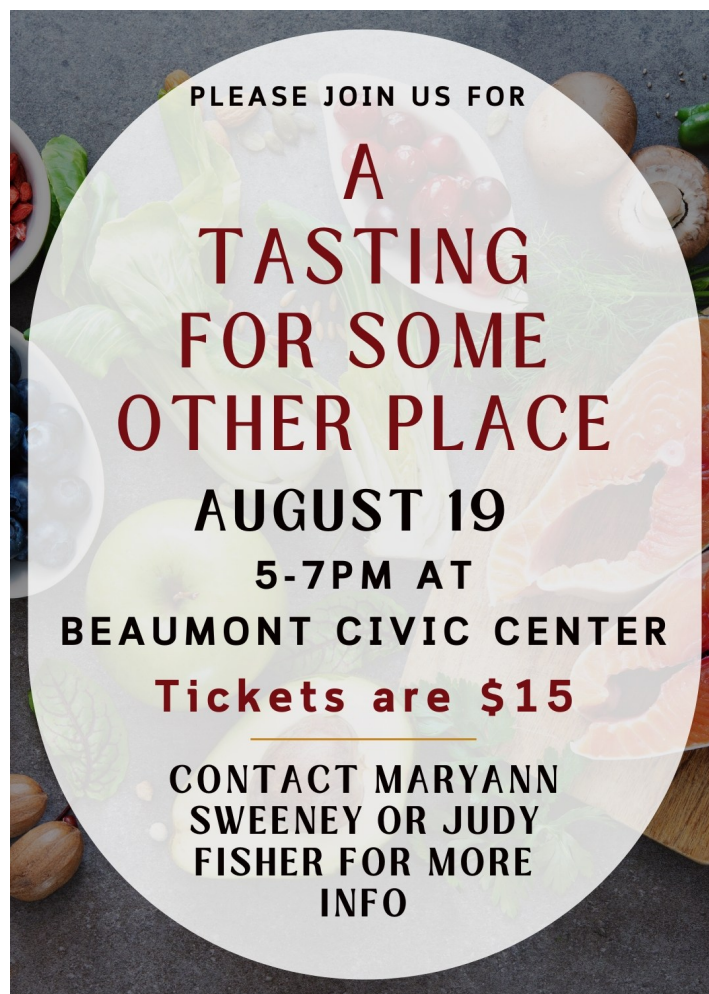
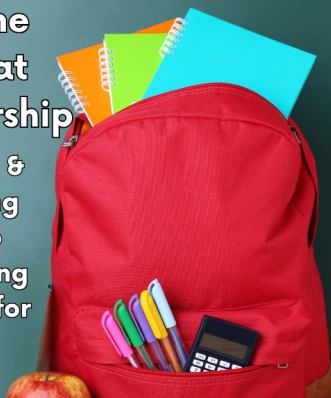
## Kickoff Sunday August 10



Breakfast at 9:30AM in the  
Fellowship Hall

**Blessing of the  
Backpacks at  
10:30AM in worship**

Students, teachers, &  
administrators bring  
your backpack to  
worship for a blessing  
and time of prayer for  
the new year.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR

## A TASTING FOR SOME OTHER PLACE

**AUGUST 19**  
**5-7PM AT**  
**BEAUMONT CIVIC CENTER**

**Tickets are \$15**

**CONTACT MARYANN  
SWEENEY OR JUDY  
FISHER FOR MORE  
INFO**





# Youth Cookout



On July 6, our Youth Group got together for an impromptu cookout and pool party to cool off in the July heat! They had the best time swimming, hanging out with one another and enjoying a delicious meal of brisket, sausages, baked beans, and corn on the cob. Thank you, Steve and Libby Richardson, for hosting!



## YOUTH NEWS AND SCHEDULE

**August 3**  
**Colorado Canyon**

### MINI GOLF

**4-6PM.** Drop-off and pickup at Colorado Canyon (6110 Folsom Dr.) Bring spending money for the snack bar.

**August 10**  
**Pool Party**

### POOL PARTY

**4:30-6:30PM.** Drop-off and pickup at the Reese's house. Bring swimsuits, towels, and sunscreen. Dinner is provided.

Youth Group meets on Sundays 4:30-6PM for any student in grades 6-12.



**New series starting August 17:**

*Plugged In: Connecting Students to the Heart of God's Biblical Principles*

August 17: Whatever You Do (Worship) — John 14:12; Ephesians 3:20

August 24: The Mind of Christ (Discipleship) — 1 Corinthians 2:16; Romans 12:2

August 31: No Youth, Labor Day weekend



# Youth at Some Other Place

On July 2, our youth came together to serve at Some Other Place. They prepped food, cleaned the kitchen, and blessed the recipients of their meal by emphasizing the Godly principle of service. It was a wonderful time of fellowship!





# Youth at Some Other Place





# Fourth of July Concert

On July 4, the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Choir and the Symphony of Southeast Texas came together to perform a phenomenal community concert! The concert highlighted American classics such as the Star-Spangled Banner and Stars and Stripes Forever. A fireworks show followed the concert to create an unforgettable night!



**4TH OF JULY**  
*Celebration*  
2025 CONCERT

**PROGRAM**

<b>Ornelas</b>	Star Spangled Banner St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Choir
<b>Gould</b>	American Salute
<b>Arr. Custer</b>	Duke Ellington!
<b>Anderson</b>	Clarinet Candy
<b>Sousa</b>	Washington Post March
<b>Williams</b>	Hymn to the Fallen
<b>Ornelas</b>	Armed Forces Salute
<b>Arr. Wendel</b>	George M. Cohan Salute St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Choir
<b>Sousa</b>	Stars and Stripes Forever St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Choir

The City of Beaumont's annual fireworks display follows the concert at 9:00 PM. Step out onto the beautiful lawn at the Julie Rogers Theatre to enjoy the spectacular show as it lights up the night sky!

**SYMPHONY**  
OF SOUTHEAST TEXAS

*Be sure to check out our upcoming  
2025-26 season at [sost.org](http://sost.org)*

Currently selling season subscriptions with  
single tickets available September 1



# HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS



MAKE A PLAN



BUILD A KIT



STAY INFORMED

The beginning of summer in SETX also means the beginning of the Atlantic hurricane season. Take these steps to be prepared:

- ◇ Develop an evacuation plan
- ◇ Assemble disaster supplies, food, water, batteries, chargers, a radio, and cash
- ◇ Get an insurance checkup and document your possessions
- ◇ Create a communication plan with a handwritten list of contacts
- ◇ Make a plan for strengthening and protecting your home from damaging winds and floodwaters



**STAN & STEAR  
HURRICANE AID**



## **Southeast Texas Alerting Network (STAN)**

STAN is a messaging and notification system that helps emergency management officials keep their communities safe. You can call 1-877-843-7826 to listen to important messages. Dial 311 or go online to [thestan.com](http://thestan.com) and follow instructions to set notifications.

## **State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (SEAR)**

SEAR is a registry providing Beaumont's emergency planners with information about those needing additional assistance in an emergency. Dial 211 or go online to [sear.tdem.texas.gov](http://sear.tdem.texas.gov) and follow registration prompts. Registering does not guarantee service during a disaster.

# BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN UPDATE



St. Andrew's participated in the Hope Women's Resource Clinic annual Baby Bottle Campaign in April. We collected change, cash, and checks in baby bottles throughout the month and collected a total of \$641.80! These donations will help the Clinic fulfill its mission to offer unconditional love and hope to pregnant women and their families. Thank you for your generosity.

**And do not forget to do good  
and to share with others,  
for with such sacrifices  
God is pleased.**

**Hebrews 13:16**



**MAILCHIMP  
SIGNUP REMINDER**

Did you know the church sends regular emails? There is the monthly newsletter email, and two weekly emails, St. Andy's Prays and This Week at St. Andy's. St. Andy's Prays email is a weekly prayer list that shares the congregation's prayer concerns and praises. Due to the confidential nature of this list, it is sent only to current church members. The This Week at St. Andy's email contains information about the week's celebration of worship and reminders concerning activities for the week.

If you are not currently receiving these emails, please go to our website to sign up:

<https://saintandy.org/events-media/newsletter>

Click the blue "Subscribe here" button and fill out the form to sign up!



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**OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Thursday  
8:30AM-4:30PM

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## 5th Annual Pirate Sunday

**Save the date:  
September 21**

**Don your pirate hats and  
pirate costumes for  
worship at 10:30AM!**

**Following worship, join  
us for a lunch of gumbo,  
rice, coleslaw, bread,  
and banana pudding**