

SAINT ANDREW
United Methodist Church
JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER

- **Music & Morsels 2025.** Attention, Talents! Join us on **June 27 at 6:30pm** for a showcase of amazing talents at the SAUMC Talent Show in the Fellowship Hall! Indulge in some delicious (and calorie-free!) desserts as we celebrate the incredible gifts within our church community. Whether you're into dancing, singing, playing an instrument, reciting poetry, doing a dramatic or comedic reading, or showcasing your artwork, we want to see your talent shine! You can perform solo, with a friend, or in a group—whatever brings out the best in you!
Sign up by Sunday, June 8! Reach out to Jim Gilbert or any member of the choir or bell team to get involved. Get ready for a night filled with fun and fantastic performances!
- **Meals That Heal.** Our third anniversary dinner was a great success! Thanks to all who have supported this important program. Join us for our next meal **June 18, 5-6:00pm** as we will be having Breakfast for Supper, featuring yummy breakfast goodies. There is food for all and all are welcome.
- **Sight and Sound Trip July 31. NOAH,** returning for one season only. This landmark production takes you on board one of the world's best-known voyages as live animals fill the stage and aisles. Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary story comes to life in this special 30th anniversary season! \$169pp including round trip bus, lunch and show. **Please give your reservations and check made payable to Garden State Getaways to Mary Garreau by June 1.**
- **Trustee News.**
Life Line Screening Thursday, June 5 Fellowship Hall. The leading provider of annual screening for stroke, heart disease, and other chronic illness. Schedule a screening call 800-718-0961 or go to lifelinescreening.com.

Blood Drive Friday, June 6 from 1-7:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Appointments are encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome! For an appointment call 800-933-2566.

You can help our JBJ Garden Grow! Attention all Gardeners and Gardener-Wannabe's! Everyone knows that gardens produce best when organic-rich soils are used. One of the best ways to enrich soils is household compost. Our Church will assist the JBJ gardeners by collecting compost materials from your homes. It's as easy as can be. Here's all you need to do. Using a coffee tin or similar container (one with a lid), place it near the kitchen sink. As you prepare or eat certain foods, any fruit or vegetable scrap (peels, ends, cores, etc.), egg shells, coffee grounds and filters or tea bags can be placed in the container. You may wish to keep the container – or a second perhaps larger one - in the refrigerator if leaving it out produces odors or fruit flies. Then, every Sunday, bring your compost to the Church and place it in one of the designated labeled compost bins. One bin will be downstairs outside of the Fellowship (pickleball) Hall kitchen and a second bin will be in the mail room just outside of the Sanctuary – ask an usher if you are unsure. You can leave your container next to the bin and collect it on your way out. The gardeners will then collect the donated compost and put it in the garden's compost unit. If you want more information or direction, please speak to one of the trustees. Thank you!

- **United Methodist Men (UMM).** The next UMM breakfast meeting will be held Saturday **June 14, from 8:00-10:00am** rooms 4-6.
- **United Women of Faith (UWF/UMW).** **Save the Date, June 27 at 6:30pm** in Fellowship Hall. **Music & Morsels** is back! It is sure to be a fun filled evening. A love offering will be accepted to support the music ministry of SAUMC.
- **Vacation Bible School** is almost here and we need everyone in the congregation to help in order for it be successful! Here's how YOU can help: Join us and invite your family, friends and neighbors to join us! Children entering Kindergarten through finishing 5th grade can register, and adults can register to be helpers too – and we will need lots of helpers! VBS runs from **July 7-11, 5:30-8:30pm**, with an optional dinner for everyone from 5:30-6:00pm. Register online at: <https://forms.gle/gtNJEspGJNhnehh8> or email Lisa Lockwood at LMLockwood1@gmail.com. Collect and donate materials we need that you might have at home. There will be a VBS collection tote in the narthex starting June 1st and we are in need of: paper towel tubes, soda bottle tops, rubber bands, solo cups, pencils, pompoms, packing tape, masking tape, pipe cleaners, craft sticks, vanilla frosting, goldfish crackers, animal crackers, mini marshmallows, rice krispies, mini marshmallows and flashlights with batteries. Pray for children in our community to come join us, and for all of the children and adults who will be participating. For many children outside the congregation, VBS is their first connection to the family of God.
- **Veterans Ministry.** Thank you to all for your continual support for our Veterans Ministry. This year on Veterans Day November 11, 2025 we will be celebrating our 15th anniversary and our mission remains the same. We want to provide high-quality, compassionate and comprehensive service to all our veterans and their families by offering a wide range of services such as sending soldiers needed items to boost their morale. We will host discussions in cultivating good citizenship and principle of leadership in addition to reading scripture and praying for God's guidance in our mission. We want to extend to you our personal thanks and sincere appreciation for your contribution of honorable service to our country. Your devotion to duty and spirit of sacrifice in keeping with the proud tradition of military service is recognized, respected and is the reflection of the type of personal character of the members we hope will join our mission. Contact Sgt. David Nordt, Veterans Ministry Leader, cell phone: 732-703-0064.
- **WOW! (Women's Book Club).** Calling all Women who love to read!. Join us as we discuss *Trial by Fire* by Danielle Steel via ZOOM at **10:00am June 21**. Contact Pat Lewis for details at patricialewis722@aol.com. Happy Reading!