



# The Chronicle 2016



I always hear April showers bring May flowers--if that's true, we should be covered soon with God's array of beautiful colors. But, what if your blessings turn to raindrops, what if your tears turn to fear, what if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know God's near, what if trials of this life are your mercy in disguise? In all the chaos these days, we have to remember, God is in control.

## THANK YOU WORSHIP LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY, 2016

	5/1	5/8	5/15	5/22	5/29
<b>Liturgists</b>	L. Webster	N. Gates	H. Culbert	S. Strong	J. Jordan
<b>Ushers</b>	J. Abbott S. Strong H. Moore J. Newbill  J. Brandon, Alt	D. Foster T. Matthews J. Shull M. Marsh  F Webster, Alt.	D. Coshow D. Watt B. Lawton D. Nelson  G. Hilleary, Alt.	D. Ellerbe H. Culbert G. Vogel C. Hydrick  Jim Boyd, Alt.	F. Webster J. Brandon G. Hilleary J. Boyd  B. Matthews Alt.
<b>Nursery</b>	John Shull	Cheryl Ellerbe	Lee Zeiher	Carol Strong	Joan Jordan
<b>Children's SS Teacher</b>	S. Newbill	J. Jordan	B. Wyle	S. Shull	C. Hydrick
<b>Wednesday Host</b>	5/4 B. Allen	5/11 Jordans	5/18 Culberts	No Activities	No Activities
<b>Sunday Coffee Host Class</b>	Probers	Seekers	Hargrave	Hopper	Hargrave
<b>Communion Preparers:</b>	John & Joan Jordan		<b>Communion Servers:</b>	T. Matthews, C. Hydrick, H. Culbert, S.Strong, L. Webster	

If you cannot serve at your appointed time, please get a substitute.

***Ruling Elder for May is B. J. Breeding.***



**The Tuesday, May 3,** meeting of the Presbyterian Women will be dinner out at O'Charley's at 6:30. Meet at the church by 6:10 if you want to carpool. All women of St. Andrew are invited. Call Linda Grissom if you need a ride. This will be the last meeting until September.



## ***HAPPY BIRTHDAY!***

<i>Milt Bridges</i>	<i>05/01</i>
<i>Jim Bochte</i>	<i>05/16</i>
<i>Amy Burks</i>	<i>05/19</i>
<i>Bobbie Meier</i>	<i>05/24</i>
<i>Jane Porter</i>	<i>05/29</i>

*If you have a May birthday, and it's not on the list, let Bonita know please. I don't want to leave anyone out.*

## **VBS Planning Meeting Monday, May 2, 6:00 pm in the Library Anyone interested in helping WELCOME! VBS is June 20-23.**

### **MISSION REPORT**

We provided **food for the needy** through the CCC Pantry Program. See Thank you note on bulletin board

**Feed the Need Backpack Program.** We collected continuously for the children's backpacks so they would have food to eat on the weekends. We will take a break for the summer and start back in August. We pack our last bags May 18. Thank you for your support.

Next Soup Kitchen is **June 6.** A Sign-up Sheet will be provided later in May on the bulletin board to volunteer.

**Page Turners** will meet on Tuesday, May 24 at 10:00 am in the Church Library, our last session for the summer. We will be reading Orphan Train this month. Between 1854 and 1929, so-called orphan trains ran regularly from the cities of the East coast to the farmlands of the Midwest, carrying thousands of abandoned children. As a young Irish immigrant, Vivian Daly was one such child. In her attic, hidden in trunks are vestiges of a turbulent past. Seventeen-year-old Molly Ayer is doing community service helping elderly Vivian clean out her attic. Molly discovers that she and Vivian aren't as different as they appear. Please join us.



If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If you want to place them in honor or memory of someone, please let Bonita know the Monday before you put them in. If you have any questions, ask Linda Grissom.



### Potluck Dinner & Bible Study Wednesdays at 6:00 pm through May 18

Thank you for signing up to Host our dinners through May. As usual, we will **not** have Wednesday activities every week during the summer, **only the second Wednesdays of June, July and August.** Weekly Suppers and activities will resume on September 7. This may change due to the new pastor's desires.



The Nomination Ministry Team is in the process of selecting Ruling Elders and two Nomination Team Members for the Class of 2019. Please be in prayer for the team as we go through the process to select qualified leaders for our church, as well as those who feel they are called to such tasks. If you have suggestions or questions, you may contact Nellie Gates.



### There's always something **NEW** in your church library. Open during office hours and before services.

Your church library is a resource for all classes. We have several copies of some books, which could be used for class or small group studies. We also have many books for Children, science, non-fiction history books, fiction books, testimonial books, Bible studies, Commentaries, and many inspiring books.

Just a reminder: If you use the building other than office hours, please check and make sure **ALL** outside doors are locked and **ALL** lights are turned off. We have had several instances lately with doors unlocked, propped open, and lights on. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Note:**

The Ellerbe's have temporarily moved to 1144 Way Thru the Woods, Decatur 35603

**Session Members:** All minutes are due May 11, Session meets May 17 at 6:00 pm. I will be out of the office May 16.

## *St. Andrew Sponsored Baseball Team*



Unfortunately our first game was rained out. Tuesday, April 19, was the first game for the St. Andrew ball team, under the coaching of Will McDaniel, son-in-law of Joan and John Jordan and husband to Greta. The team led the game for several innings, but lost the game 12 to 15. The players did not give up and came on strong at the end to close on a three run deficit. On April 26, our team WON! Go TEAM! If you have extra time on Tuesday evenings, journey to Wilson Morgan Park for the games and give your support to these guys. Schedules are available on the side table in the Narthex and in the bulletin. Go cheer our team on.



Picture on the side is Will McDaniel hitting that ball as hard as he can!



*Thanks to all of you for showing me so much love during my recent neck surgery and recuperation. You held me up in your prayers, and I am certain that was the main reason my surgery and recovery have been so nearly uneventful. You have expressed your love to Joan and me with calls, cards, food, smiles, good wishes, and the visits at the hospital. This is the miracle of the Body of Christ -- unselfish love and sacrifice. This is indeed "Living in God's Love."*

*John Jordan*



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**Sunday School 8:45 am**

**Worship Service 10:00 am**

**Wednesday Potluck Supper 6:00 pm through May 18**

**Programs for ALL ages 6:30 pm**

**Adult Choir 7:30 pm**

Please make a note that Bonita will be out of the office on Monday, May 18. Call one of the elders if you have a need or have a question that can't wait until Tuesday. Articles for next SAC due May 24.