



Rev. Dr. Daryl Goldman, Transitional Pastor

## **A Message from our pastor.....**

This has been a delightful month of learning names, getting to know you, and anticipating God's blessings as we work together for the Kingdom. You are an impressive church family and I can see how any pastor would be thankful for an opportunity to serve you.

My presence here is somewhat atypical in that I follow the departure of Dr. Toby Mueller not as an Interim Pastor, with the duties required under that designation, but as a temporary pastor. An Interim Pastor has very specific goals and objectives to accomplish by the time the new permanent pastor arrives.

I'm here as a part-time pastor to provide you with pastoral care and some "breathing space" as you discern where God is calling you to be next in terms of your mission as a church. That endeavor demands of you some hard questions about mission, capabilities, and funding. Your very dedicated session members are working tirelessly on that undertaking.

Toby is a talented and dedicated clergyperson with many gifts to include a penchant for innovative, sensitive and restorative pastoral care. She was here for too brief a time and your grieving is certainly expected and appropriate.

However, even in disappointment God surprises us by doing something brand new. Isaiah 43:19 says, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

It's in times when the most is demanded of us that we find ourselves more willing to embrace experiments, changes, new ideas, and methods we would never before have considered. Therefore, I am extremely excited about St. Andrew's future. God has this church here for a reason and it is not by our power or our might but by His Spirit that great things are possible. "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." Deuteronomy 31:6

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

	6/5	6/12	6/19	6/26	
<b>Liturgists</b>	Turner Matthews	B.J. Breeding	Shelly Shull	Ceil Hydrick	
<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.	
<b>Children's SS Teacher</b>	S. Newbill	S. Newbill	S. Newbill	B. Wyle	
<b>Nursery</b>	BJ Breeding	Margaret Marsh	Sylvia Newbill	Barb Mouton	
<b>Wednesday Host</b>				Host:	
<b>Sunday Coffee Host Class</b>	Probers	Seekers	Hargrave	Hopper	Hargrave
<b>Communion Preparers:</b>	Betty & John Brandon		<b>Communion Servers:</b>	T. Matthews, C. Hydrick, H. Culbert, J. Jordan, N. Gates	

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

***Ruling Elder for June is Nellie Gates***



<i>Bill Heim</i>	<i>6/1</i>
<i>Jamie Heim</i>	<i>6/5</i>
<i>Nelda Gilbert</i>	<i>6/7</i>
<i>Linda Grissom</i>	<i>6/15</i>
<i>Linda Livingston</i>	<i>6/19</i>
<i>Rita Abbott</i>	<i>6/20</i>
<i>Sandy Baldwin</i>	<i>6/26</i>

## MISSION REPORT

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

**Feed the Need Backpack Program:** I would like to thank everyone for the success of the Backpack Program. In the last 9 months, 1,350 meals and 450 snacks were delivered to Brookhaven Middle School students to provide weekend food. This is what we are called to do...feed the hungry. The Mission Committee is contemplating doing twice as many bags each month (50) next school term if the need is there. Continue to pray for this mission and that each child can feel the love of God as they eat. Pray for the children during the summer months for God to open doors to meet their needs.

Joan Jordan Co-coordinator

**Soup Kitchen is June 6.** A Sign-up Sheet is provided on the bulletin board to volunteer. We will serve hot dogs, slaw, baked beans, and desserts. See Margaret Marsh for more details.

Mission Project in July is collecting school supplies, start getting an item or two now as you shop. John Brandon will be our leader for this project. More details to come.



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.

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. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Potluck Dinner & Bible Study

As usual, we will **not** have Wednesday activities every week during the summer, **only the 4th Wednesdays of June, July and August.** Weekly Potluck Suppers and activities will resume on September 7. June 29 we will begin at 6:00 with Supper, then our children will have a VBS program for us. Choir will meet at 7:30 June 29.



**June 20-23**

**5:45 - 7:45 PM**

### VBS 2015 Song Time



## FOURTH DAY MEETINGS

4th Day will begin the Discovery Bible Study "From Creation to Christ" in June. We invite anyone who would like to participate in a summer Bible study to join us on the 2nd and 4th Mondays in the church Library at 10:00 am. See Ceil Hydrick for more information.



**Page Turners** will take a break during the summer. Our summer read will be Out of Africa by Isak Dinesen. In this book, the author gives a true account of her life on the plantation in Kenya. She tells with classic simplicity of the ways of the country and the natives.

The next Meeting will be Tuesday, September 27 at 10:00 am.

**Help Needed:** Mrs. Jane Porter's son is in need of a liver transplant. He is 59 years old and if you know anything about transplants, they are expensive and insurance only covers very little, plus the family is 105 miles from the hospital so they will incur living expenses for some time during recovery. It is a tax deductible gift and you can give on-line at: <http://patients.transplants.org/paulporter>. Please remember him and his family in prayer.

**Session Notes:** The following items are highlights from the May 17, 2016 Stated Session Meeting

1. Dr. Darryl Goldman moderated his first meeting of our Session.
2. The minutes of the Stated Meeting of March 21, 2016 were approved.
3. Our membership was reduced to 80 as the Session took actions during the last two meetings to have our roll more accurately reflect current membership and attendance.
4. The Session approved Presbyterian Women's request to collect a Birthday Offering on May 29, 2016
5. Shelly Shull reported that we are making progress on plans for VBS.
6. Stu Strong reported on the Called meeting of North Alabama Presbytery regarding Camp Maranatha which was held on April 9, 2016 in our facility.
7. Ceil Hydrick reported on the Called meeting of North Alabama Presbytery which was held on May 10, 2016. It was decided to deed Maranatha to a 501(c)(3) organization and have them reopen the Camp and run it from now on.
8. Turner Matthews reported on status of team looking for ways to cooperate with Westminster as we go forward with both of our congregations seeking new ministers.
9. The Session approved conducting a survey called CAT to help determine direction for our congregation and we agreed to share that information we gather with Westminster.
10. North Alabama Presbytery (NAP) has sold their offices and are looking for space in a NAP church facility to house their offices - as a cost saving measure.
11. At the request of NAP, a statement of support of the Executive Presbyter, Dr. Tammy Brown, from the Committee on Ministry was communicated to the Session.
12. The next Stated meeting will be on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

Stu Strong, Clerk of Session



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**Sunday School 8:45 am**

**Worship Service 10:00 am**