

The Chronicle

FEBRUARY 2019

Greetings to all St. Andrew Family and Friends,

We are happy to announce that our church has called Rev. Rosemary McMahan to provide pastoral services as an Interim Pastor. She will work on a part-time basis, much like Darryl, with her contract scheduled to begin <u>Feb. 10, 2019</u> and <u>ending Dec. 25, 2019</u>.

Rev. Rosemary McMahan has been a member of the North Alabama Presbytery since 2002 when she was called to serve Big Cove Presbyterian Church (Owens Cross Roads) as a Commissioned Lay Pastor in 2002. She spent 13 years there and was ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in 2013. After leaving Big Cove in 2015, Rosemary undertook interim training and then served First Presbyterian Huntsville as both interim associate pastor and then interim pastor.

Rosemary has been married to Dennis McMahan for almost forty years. Dennis is the son of Vernon (Sonny) McMahan, who died in 2010, and Peggy who is at Brookdale. Sonny and Peggy were charter members of Covenant Presbyterian Church and devoted members of St. Andrew, so Rosemary feels a special connection to this Body of Christ. Dennis and Rosemary have two grown children and a six-year old granddaughter.

Rosemary will be in the office on Wednesdays and Sundays and looks forward to serving Christ with the people of St. Andrew in preparation for the arrival of the next called pastor.

As we welcome Pastor Rosemary and Dennis McMahan to St. Andrew, join us for a **Meet** and Greet Coffee on Sunday, February 10, 9:00 - 9:30 in the fellowship hall. Coffee, juice, and



sweet rolls will be served. We will not have Sunday school on February 10.

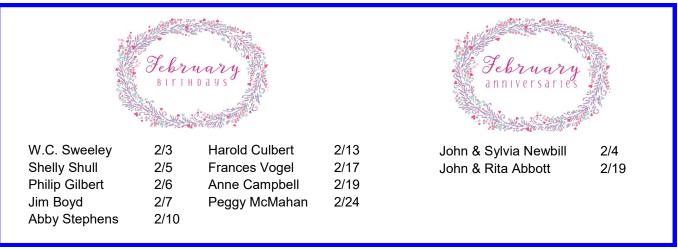
Please wear your name tag on Sundays and Wednesday nights for a few months to help Rosemary with our names. If you do not have a name tag, contact Bonita to get one, which will be placed in the name-tag box in the narthex.

Rev. McMahan's email is:

rosemary.mcmahan@gmail.com Home Phone: 256-539-9973 Address: 2300 Old Wagon Rd., Huntsville, 35801

Pictured: Husband, Dennis, is at the bottom. Rev. Rosemary is on the left, daughter, Kathleen on the right. Behind is their son Joseph, granddaughter Caitlin, and daughter-in-law Whitney.

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CCC Food Pantry

Just a reminder that we are collecting non-perishable foods for the CCC Food Pantry on the first Sunday of each month. This food will go to families in need and also the homeless of Decatur.

Let's share the bounty of the Lord's table each month.



The Presbyterian Women of St. Andrew will meet on Tuesday, February 5, at 10:00 AM in the church Fellowship Hall

Lesson: "God With Us Through Our Trials" Linda Grissom Isaiah 41:8-13; 43:1-7; Psalm 46:1-11

Hostess: Shelly Shull

Project: Valentines for Shut-ins

No Ordinary Angels by Susan Garrett

We will continue our six-week study on the book, <u>No Ordinary Angels</u> by Susan Garrett who is a professor of New Testament at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. We will be using our Bible and finding God's message for each of us. The purchase of the book is not necessary.

Feb. 6 Week 3: Failing Angels: Desiring Divinity, Wanting the World

Feb. 13 Week 4: Satan and the Powers

Feb. 20 Week 5: Guardian Angels

Feb. 27 Week 6 Angels and Death.

Barbara Allen is our facilitator for this study.

Missions on Our Doorstep

Neighborhood Christian Center (NCC)

"Changing a Generation, One Life at a Time"

The NCC has been ministering to Decatur since 1994. They not only provide clothes, food and financial assistance, but also classes in Budgeting, Math, Reading, Purpose Driven Life, Life Skills, Wounded Women, Grief Support, Celebrate Recovery, Anger Management, Job Skills, Bible study groups, Hispanic Bible Study, practical living skills, Boys & Girls Clubs weekly, a Teen Training Program to teach how to become a leader, 3 Transitional Homes, and classes and counseling/rehabilitation for prisoners at Morgan County Jail. They not only take care of the physical, but also the Spiritual needs of people.

After Pamela Bolding, Director of NCC, with her husband, Tim, visited our church last month, we have decided to help them in their ministry. Here's how you can help.

- The NCC has a program that allows children in need to shop for two Christmas gifts for adults in their lives. The gifts must be new. Most of us receive presents that may not be right for us during the year. Here's a chance to "re-gift" those new items in the donation location.
- There is now a donation location box for NCC's ongoing needs which include:

Adult Gifts (for children's Christmas store)New Underwear for Men & WomenSocks for ALL AgesChildren's Clothing (all sizes)Paper TowelsToilet PaperBlack Trash BagsWhite Kitchen BagsCandy for Valentine's DayFoam Dinner PlatesCopy PaperCopy Paper

2018 Yearly Report:

Served 9,381 people Clothes Items: 11,089 Financial Assistance: 163 Appliances: 41 School Supplies: 372 Food Items: 23,798 Hygiene Items: 5,971 Furniture & Beds: 25 Misc. Household Items: 3,120 Autos: 3

December:

<u>Weekly total of people</u> attending Bible Studies/Educational Classes/Programs: 389 Bibles given away: 531 Commitments to the Lord: 68 Baptisms: 66

Check out their yearly report on the bulletin board in the hall and their monthly reports each month.

NCC Mission Statement: To serve our neighbors in need with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and provide hope and healing through education and discipleship.

Barb Mouton & the Mission Committee



POTLUCK SUPPER

Every Wednesday at 6:00 PM

Have you heard of the 80/20 problem in churches? We have 20% of the people doing 80% of the work. We need people to "host" our suppers each week. Grab a friend, and sign-up on the bulletin board.

Session Notes

The following items are highlights from the January 16, 2019 Stated Session Meeting with Rev. Dr. John Bush presiding as moderator.

- The minutes of the Stated Session Meeting of November 14, 2018 were approved as corrected.
- Our membership remains at 79; unchanged since the last Stated Session Meeting.
- The next North Alabama Presbytery meeting will be held February 23, 1029 at Hope Presbyterian Church in Huntsville with Turner Matthews as St. Andrew's Commissioner.
- Motion was made and approved for St. Andrew to enter into a contract with Rev. Rosemary McMahan to serve as an interim pastor. The contract is to begin February 10, 2019 and end on December 25, 2019. Although final details have yet to be worked out, Rev. McMahan is expected to keep hours similar to Rev. Goldman and be at the church on Sundays and Wednesdays. It was noted that the PNC will continue to actively pursue their search for a pastor during Rev. McMahan's tenure at St. Andrew.
- The motion was made and approved to authorize Tommy Gates and Philip Gilbert to continue to serve as Comptroller and Treasurer respectively.
- Philip Gilbert reported on the recently held Elder Training conducted at Westminster Presbyterian Church on January 12. Those in attendance from St. Andrew included Bob Naumann, Ed Wyle, and Philip Gilbert.
- The proposed 2019 budget was presented by Turner Matthews and approved with the agreement that further minor changes may be incorporated to reflect final terms of contract with Rev. McMahan.
- The next Stated Meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, at 4:30 pm.

Philip Gilbert, Clerk of Session

What's New in the Library?

We have some new books for you to cozy up under a blanket and read. Put some laughter in your day with these:

Can't Wait to Get to Heaven by Fanny Flagg

"Fannie Flagg takes a reader back to Elmswood Springs, Missouri, combining southern warmth with unabashed emotion and side-splitting hilarity."

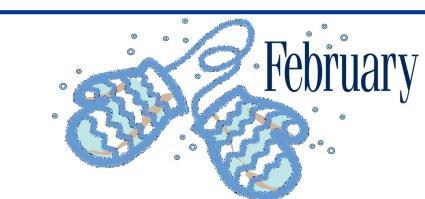
Savannah Breeze by Mary Kay Anderson

"A sheer delight and will have readers laughing out loud by the second page" says Daytona Beach News-Journal.

These books were given by Barb Wyle. THANK YOU BARB.

The Library Group





Sunday	Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Image: New Office Hours: 8:45am—1:00 pm Monday through Thursday. Phones will be answered until 3:00 pm each day. Image: New Office Hours (New Office Hours)					2
3 Communion	-	Member Mtg.	5 Garden Club 9:30a 10:00a PW 6-8 Civic Cho- rus	6 6:00p Supper 6:30p Activities 7:30p Choir	7	8	9
10 No SS 9-9:30a Welcome Rev. Rosemary & Dennis McMahan	11		12 6-8p Civic Chorus	13 4:00p Worship Committee Mtg. 6:00p Supper 6:30p Activities 7:30p Choir	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
17	18		19 6-8p Civic Chorus	20 6:00p Supper 6:30p Activities 7:30p Choir	21	22 DMC Piano Recital 6-9p	23
24 DMC 1-4p	25		26 6-8p Civic Chorus	27 6:00p Supper 6:30p Activities 7:30p Choir	28 7p Civic Chorus Concert		



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Sunday School 8:45 am Worship Service 10:00 am Facebook: St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Decatur AL www.standrewdecatur.org

February Mínístry Teams Thank you for serving!

February	3	10	17	24		
Liturgists	Bob Naumann	Turner Matthews	Greg Vogel	Dan Watt		
Ushers	H. Culbert J. Shull J. Abbott D. Foster	G. Vogel D. Ellerbe C. Ellerbe B. Matthews	B. Naumann H. Culbert J. Naumann B. Mouton	W.C. Sweeley H. Moore C. Sweeley S. Strong		
Nursery	J. Naumann	B. Wyle	S. Newbill	J. Shull		
Wednesday Host	2/6 Tom Meier	2/13	2/20	2/27		
Communion February 3	Preparer: Linda Grissom	Communion Servers: Turner Matthews, B.J. Breeding, Bob Naumann, Greg Vogel, Nellie Gates				

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