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### Rainbow Emmaus Gathering

The Rainbow Emmaus Group will meet, Sunday, July 9th with covered dish and business starting at 4 pm and worship starting at 5 pm in the sanctuary. **Remember to bring your worship book, cross and name tag.** The gathering will be held at St. Andrews, Fowler Hall.



### News from Becky!

This was a good month—we took 132 pounds to the Food Care Center. That means we have already taken 1304 pounds! Only another 496 pounds to go to reach our goal for this year of 1800 pounds so keep up the good work!

Thanks so much for helping pay for summer camp and mission trips for our youth. At the time of this writing, we have 6 youth (and three adults) in Oklahoma doing mission work with the Central Texas Conference Youth Missions. We also have three kids at summer camp (2 of them for the first time!) Again, THANK YOU!

By the time you read this VBS will be over and done for the year. However, your support is still needed. Cokesbury is already planning ahead for next year and if we buy the program for next year by July 31st of this year, we get a total savings of \$115 plus free shipping. If you would like to donate, please drop a check in the plate marked for VBS. It is much appreciated. I'm sure that a good time was had by all and I'll write more about the experience next month (I'm writing this the week before this year's VBS!) Thanks for all your support this year.

In July, the 5:30 Wednesday Women's Emmaus group will NOT meet on the 5<sup>th</sup>, but will meet the 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Since we are meeting in various locations this summer, if you're a member of this group contact Becky Hunt, Anna Leach, Jeanne Ashley, Joyce Pelletier or Michelle Trudo, to find out the next meeting location.

The youth will be meeting on July 2, 16, 23 and 30<sup>th</sup>. We will not meet on July 9<sup>th</sup> due to the church hosting the Rainbow Community Emmaus at 4:00 pm. We meet at 4:00 pm in Fowler Hall. All youth between 10 and 17 years old are welcome!

# The Beacon

*Come home to St. Andrew's United Methodist Church ...  
 There's a Place for You Here!!.*



## July 2017

*St. Andrews is a diverse Family  
 Sharing God's transforming love  
 with our neighbors*



### Separating the Laundry By David Leach

I don't do the laundry at our house. For a long time I was not allowed to. Now I may, but it is helpful if I first let Anna inspect the loads to be sure they are properly separated. See, my problem is my inability to properly separate the colors. There are darks and lights, whites and every shade of red. There are delicates, white underwear, dark underwear, towels and sheets. Each load properly handled with its own kind of cleaning supply, water temperature, and wash setting. Though I know it would ruin the clothes, I still think, "It's all dirty, why can't I just throw it all in together and wash it."

I have a tendency to handle the parts of my life the way Anna would have me handle the laundry. We want to separate everything out into little piles, each item in its proper place. Some are work, and some family. Some are friends and some are God's. All kinds of different piles and categories. In God's eyes everything belongs in the "God's" pile. Everything has to do with our relationship with him and how we live as his people. With God there is no compartmentalizing of things. No putting things over there as something God is not concerned with. No hiding things away as something we don't want God messing with. It all goes in the same load, all our dirty laundry, and we give it to God, who makes it clean.

"See I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me....but who can endure the day of his coming....for he is like a refiner's fire and like fuller's soap."

Malachi 3:1-2

*Anniversaries*

James & Kim Cearfoss 13  
 Joe & Joyce Pelletier 18



*Happy Birthday!*

Sherry Mathews 6  
 Helen Lane 18  
 P. J. Young 18  
 Katherine Young 19  
 Pamela Dodson Marroquin 20  
 Abigail Adams 30



**5th Sunday Singing**  
 July 30th—Nolanville UMC  
 Starts 6 pm - covered dish  
 lots of singing and fun  
 Everyone Welcome!

**Joy Bible Study News**

Joy Bible Study will not meet for the month of July. It will resume on August 1st with a new study beginning on "The Book of Judges." Everyone is welcome to begin this new study with us in August. Joy Bible Study regularly meets each Tuesday at 9 am.



*UMM Brisket Dinner with all the trimmings! Coming Soon!*  
 September 9th at 6 pm! Write this down—we sure don't want to forget this one! More information to come at a later date!



**Welcome to our Newest Members!**

Brian & Pixie McIntyre transferred to St. Andrews  
 Danial Adams—Baptized/Profession of Faith  
 Sarah Adams—Baptized/Profession of Faith  
 Marcus Ellison—Confirmation/Profession of Faith  
 Keegan Winter—Confirmation/Profession of Faith  
 Konner Winter—Confirmation/Profession of Faith

**God's Hand by Denise Collier**

Your mighty hand is holding,  
 The grasping of your fist,  
 With fingers that surround us,  
 Not ever losing grip.  
 It covers us now daily,  
 A shelter being there,  
 Where if the storm is raging,  
 We know it's ours to share.  
 Pointing us the right way,  
 To tell us where to go,  
 Directions guiding always,  
 We trust that you will show.  
 Correcting us so gently,  
 At times where we do need,  
 Reminding us you know best,  
 Your discipline received.

**Miracle Ellison is Homesick!!**

Miracle recently joined the army and is in training. She would love to hear from her church family. The address below **MUST** be addressed exactly how it is shown or she will not get it.

**On the Front of the envelope:**

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 A CO 3-10 INF BN, 4 PLT "Death Dealers"  
 7023 COLORADO AVE, BLD 830  
 FT LEONARD WOOD, MO 65473

**On the Backside of the envelope:**  
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**DEATH DEALERS**



*Thank You all for the surprise award and the gifts of flowers and candy. Most of all, we thank you for your concern and for your prayers.*

*Larry & Shirley Smith*

**News from United Methodist Men**

The monthly prayer breakfast will no longer be held the last Saturday of the month. The regular UMM dinner meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month will not be held in July. It will resume August 8th.

Women's Emmaus Accountability Group, 3:15 pm session, has been changed to first and third Wednesday of each month meeting in Fowler Hall.



# July 2017



**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion Offering: Peace with Justice  Sunday School 9am Worship 10 am Youth Group 4 pm Young Adult 5:30	3 Domino Station 12:30	4 4th of July Office Closed  Lunch Bunch Golden Corral 12:30 pm	5 Upper Room Bible Study 9 am Women's Emmaus 3:15 pm No 5:30 pm group Choir practice 4:30 pm	6	7	8 Fowler Hall being utilized from 12:30 to 3:30
9 Sunday School 9 am Worship 10 am Worship Team 11 am No Youth Group Emmaus Rainbow St. Andrews 4 pm	10 Domino Station 12:30	11	12 Upper Room Bible Study 9 am  Women's Emmaus 5:30 pm Choir practice 4:30 pm	13	14	15
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