

Dear Friends,

Happy fall, y'all! Fall begins Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:19 PM. I always love this season. We have been blessed with a mild summer this year and now we turn our eyes to what the fall will hold. I have already ordered my pumpkin spice flavored coffee – and drank all of it. Time to order some more!

I look forward to cooler temperatures, changing leaves, school activities that come with this time of year, fall festivals, Trunk or Treat, All Saints Sunday when we remember our loved ones, and Thanksgiving. What do you look forward to? Are there any football fans out there? I know the answer to that one!

The thing is, the seasons change and life changes rapidly at times. Where do we find our security during the changing tides of life? The Bible says in Hebrews 13:8 that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." What does this mean to you? To me, this means that the love of God that we have come to know through Jesus does not weaken over time, but rather is perfectly full for all of time. This is Good News!

We must learn to place and keep our trust in Jesus even when the waters of life are rough. I think of the hymn, "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less," written in 1834 by English Baptist pastor Edward Mote. The second verse says, "When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his <u>unchanging grace</u>; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil." Then the refrain goes, "On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand."

In the changing seasons, new beginnings, and new paths that life takes us down, may we place our hope in God's "unchanging grace" that Jesus offers all people. Happy fall, y'all! Be blessed!

Yours in Christ, Pastor Terry



Karl and Sally were united in a beautiful Hawaiian theme ceremony, Saturday, August 23, 2025. Wishing you both many years of happiness.



A single pink carnation was placed on the altar August 24th in honor of NettaMae Gardner in celebration of her newest great granddaughter and a first grandbaby for her daughter, Debra Casey. Congratulations Debra and NettaMae you still remain in our hearts, we miss you. Introducing, Eleanor Mae born July 31st, 2025.



Request prayers for Robert & Wanda Kratzer, Shirley Skinner, Zander Kerr, Sandy Schwertman, Eltra Youngblood, Geri Kelley, Judy Roundtree, Janet DeWeerd and all of our church family that are in need of healing and peace. Emanuel Godwin passed away on August 18, 2025. Please keep the Godwin family in your prayers.



Meaneh and Abigail Gatei became members of our Church on July 20, 2025. Rosa None's grandchildren, Nathaniel and Zamir Wilford were baptized on August 3, 2025.



Labor Day is a time to honor the hard work and dedication of workers across the nation. It's a day to celebrate achievements, recognize contributions, and express gratitude for the labor that drives our society forward.

The communion offering for September 7th is for "Providence Place". This is a non-profit adoption agency in San Antonio which also supports young adults with disabilities, and provides a safe haven for women survivors of human trafficking, sexual assault and domestic violence. If you wish to donate to this mission, place donation in the envelope located in the pews and mark communion. If you donate by check, please make payable to St. Andrew's UMC and make a note on check for communion. Thank you.

You can watch the service live on Facebook starting at 10:30 am. Log in as follows: St Andrew's United Methodist Church, Killeen, TX Facebook.

## Happy Birthday!

## Happy Anniversary!

Michelle Guinther	3	Penny Morgan	19	Robert & Wanda Kratzer 8th
Arlene Aldrich, Julie McBride	5	<b>Judy Linville</b>	20	John & Judy Ellison 26th
Vera Moffitt	10	<b>MeiLinn Leach</b>	25	
Sandy Schwertman	11			
Craig Cude	16			
Shirley Skinner	18	Grandparent's Day—September 7th		

Sundays: Sunday School class 9 am, Fowler Hall. Church service 10:30 am Tuesdays— Bible Study 10 am followed by Domino group at 12:30 pm, Fowler Hall Wednesdays—Choir practice at noon

September 1st, Labor Day, the office will be closed Men's Fellowship September 4th at 6 pm, potluck, at St. Andrews September 5th Parkinson Group meet in Fowler Hall starts 2:30 pm United Women in Faith meet at 10 am September 6th, Fowler Hall Rainbow Emmaus, 6:30 pm, September 11th at Nolanville First UMC September 19th Parkinson Group meet in Fowler Hall starts 2:30 pm

Rainbow Emmaus will meet September 11th with potluck starting at 6:30 pm, business and worship to follow. Remember to bring your worship book, cross and name tag. Meet at Nolanville First United Methodist Church.



## **Men's Fellowship Group**

The Men's fellowship group will meet at St. Andrews Thursday evening September 4th at 6 pm with a potluck dinner, devotional and fellowship. If you need additional information, please contact Pastor Terry. Please come and enjoy an evening of fellowship.

ATTN Ladies: A ring was found in Fowler Hall by the kitchen sink July 9th. If you are missing a ring, please contact Judy in the office or at church service.



Fowler Hall will be reserved on the first and third Fridays of each month until further notice. The Parkinson's Support Group meetings will start at 2:30 pm on these dates. If you or a family member are experiencing issues with Parkinson, you are welcome to attend these support group meetings.



The United Women in Faith are meeting September 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM in Fowler Hall. We have an urgent decision to make. All women who attend St. Andrews are part of the United Women in Faith. In the past, we had enough members attending so that we had 2 groups who met each week or month. As the years have gone by, our numbers have dwindled.

Aurora and Monina were faithful members who attended regularly. However, since they moved to Georgetown due to circumstances, we often have no one attending the general meetings except for the UWIF Board (Becky and Michelle). We will be voting on September 6<sup>th</sup> to see if we disband our United Women in Faith Group for a time until we get more members interested in attending or if we continue to have our monthly meetings with members who attend. Two questions. One vote. The future of United Women in Faith at St. Andrews will be decided on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. If you are a woman attending St. Andrews UMC, please attend. Your presence matters! Thank you! Michelle Trudo, President, UWIF