

THE FISHERMAN

May 2016

Visit Our New Website



In today's online world, one of the best ways to reach those seeking a place to worship and grow is through a church's website. St. Andrew has had a website since the 1990's, but like old print publications, it too has become dated. With the advent of our Bluffton outreach, it became vividly apparent to the Communications Committee that the website needed an overhaul to make it easy for those wanting information to quickly locate each campus, and for members to also find what they needed (such as the link to InFellowship) while portraying the vitality and hospitality of St. Andrew By-The-Sea.



Bragg

A full redo is a big task requiring many hours of design and mapping. Two women with media businesses stepped up to volunteer to make it happen: members Heather Bragg of



Jacobi

Bragg Media and PR consultant Laura Jacobi, owner of 1801 Promotions. Heather, a gifted graphic artist created the look while Laura assisted with the copy and content side. The site went live in late April and is more mobile friendly. Look for the pull-down buttons in the "menu" block at the top of a mobile device, then scroll down to see the "two doors" of our one great church and the InFellowship link. While adjustments are still being made and content is continuing to be added, please take a look and encourage others to learn more about St. Andrew By-The-Sea at hhiumc.com or SaintAndrewByTheSea.com (both lead to the same homepage).

Mission Committee Grant Activity



In 2015, St. Andrew provided cash grants and donations of almost \$52,000 to global, national, regional, and local non-profit organizations. Over \$41,000 of that went to local organizations. Over several years, St. Andrew has provided \$35,000 to Habitat for Humanity toward the goal of sponsoring a home at the development called The Glen off Marshland Road. We are working with St. Francis and Holy Family Catholic Churches to complete raising the \$70,000 to sponsor a home at The Glen, hopefully in 2016. Two organizations in the local area that provide vital support to individuals and families facing hard times or recovery from disasters, like house fires, are Deep Well Project on Hilton Head Island and Bluffton Self Help. Their services are provided efficiently and effectively through a process of client interviews, counseling, and coordination of benefits with other agencies. All of this is done mostly by volunteers, with compassion and the dignity of the client in mind. On April 5 and April 7, checks of over \$3,500 each were presented to Deep Well Project and Bluffton Self Help, respectively, to the Executive Directors, Betsy Doughtie and Lili Coleman. Volunteers Pamela Denlinger as well as Sue and Ken Kroupa assisted Mission Committee Chairman Toney Mathews with the presentations. The grants are unrestricted and to be used in the areas of greatest need as determined by the agencies. Each year St. Andrew supports the missions of Deep Well Project and Bluffton Self Help through sponsorship of the Community Thanksgiving Meal in conjunction with Hudson's Restaurant and through the offerings at the Christmas Eve services.



Cares & Concerns

Our ill or convalescing: Fred Rappaport, Mary Rothert, Tex Uhlhorn, Meg Sippy, Betty Minot, Susan Roberts, Dick Knowlton, Jay Graves, Gary Goehring, Al Sutton, Dean Beckelhimer.

Deepest sympathy to:

The family of Harry Alford upon his death on April 5. Bill Rothert, upon the death of his mother, Phyllis. Donna & Shirley Beavers on the death of their nephew Aaron Petzold in Peoria, IL

Thank You Note

I want to express my sincerest thanks to the members and friends of St Andrew By-The-Sea for all of your prayers, visits, cards and phone calls before, during and after my surgery. It was very comforting to know that so many people were concerned for my recent hospitalization and at-home recovery. I especially want to thank Rev. Yongue and Rev. Morrison for their visits and prayers while I was in the hospital and Stephen Minister Joyce Flowers for her visits in the hospital and the "Loaves of Love" she brought to Warren and me upon my release from the hospital. God bless everyone.

Jay Graves

Blood Drive

May 15 will be our last Blood Drive before we begin our Summer Vacations. We urge all who can to donate to this lifesaving and needy cause. Summer is a period of extra need and whole blood is in short supply. Sign up outside church, Sunday May 8, 2016 or E-Mail: giddingsm92@gmail.com for a reserved time spot.

Thanks ahead for all your support,
The Health Ministries

The Advocate

May 22 is *Advocate* awareness day. *The Advocate* is South Carolina's award-winning United Methodist publication. Subscriptions are just \$15 for a new subscription, \$13 for a 1-year renewal. A few copies are available at each campus so that you can see the connectional and inspirational information presented. Forms will be available at both campuses or go to AdvocateSC.org to get this outstanding source of UMC news.

EVERY SUNDAY

9:00 Worship at Pope Avenue
10:00 Coffee and Fellowship
10:00 Women's Ensemble - Music Rm
10:05 Men's Ensemble Rehearsal - Sanctuary
10:15 Sunday Studies for all ages at Pope Avenue
10:30 Bluffton Worship @ Persimmon St.
11:15 Worship at Pope Avenue

6:00 Youth at Pope Avenue
6:30 Adult Small Group Bluffton

EVERY MONDAY - SATURDAY

7:30am AA in C111

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5:00 Couples Small Group - C111

EVERY TUESDAY

6:30 Family Small Group @ Persimmon St.

7:00 AA in B105

7:00 Boy Scouts (Check for location)

EVERY WEDNESDAY

12:15 Healing & Wholeness

2:30 Adult Handbells - Sanctuary

3:30 Bluffton Staff Meeting

6:00 Bluffton Worship Band Practice @ Persimmon St.

7:00 Chancel Choir

EVERY THURSDAY

8:00 Men's Devotional Group - C111

12:00 Lunch with Rev. Dan & Matt @ Zeppelins

6:00 Middle & HS Youth @ Persimmon St.

EVERY FRIDAY

12 Noon Soup Kitchen

See the Website for special schedules and other activities:

www.SaintAndrewByTheSea.com

*All Bluffton events will be at 39 Persimmon St., Suite 203 unless otherwise noted.

WATCH FOR SUMMER SCHEDULE CHANGES.



Bluffton Sermon Series in May

WE BELIEVE

Join us Sundays in Bluffton at 39 Persimmon Suite 203-204 at 10:30.

Fisherman Next Deadline



The Deadline for the next *Fisherman* is **Friday, May 20th.**

Please submit your articles and photos to: standrewbytheseanews@gmail.com.

Welcome Monica Barricks to St. Andrew Bluffton Campus

Monica Barricks has joined the St. Andrew By-The-Sea UMC team as the Coordinator of Family and Children's Ministry for the Bluffton campus. Monica will lead the children's programs on Sundays as well as plan and oversee special events for children and families in Bluffton. She will also work closely with Lauren Ricciardelli (*pictured below*), the Hilton Head Island campus Children's coordinator, to create a united children's ministry program across both campuses. Monica moved here from Greenville, S.C. with her husband, Jim, and their two boys; Oliver (7) and Harrison (4). Jim works for CPM Federal Credit Union as a Loan Underwriter and with collections. He has worked in credit unions for the past 13 years.



Most recently, Monica served at Augusta Road UMC as the Age Level Minister, creating age-appropriate events for members from babies to young adults. She also was responsible for planning and executing events to reach out to the community. Before moving to Greenville a few years ago, the family were natives of Northern Virginia, about 15 minutes outside Washington, D.C. There Monica worked at Vale UMC for seven years as the Director of Youth and Program Ministries.

Monica enjoys running and has completed three half marathons so far. She can't wait to run a half marathon in the flat Lowcountry. She says her family enjoys anything outdoors, which means they'll find plenty to do in beautiful Bluffton. **Reach her at: monicabhiumc@gmail.com**

Contact Staff at St. Andrew

With so much happening here at St. Andrew By-The-Sea, we thought you might like information about who does what and where they do it! Please look below to find the right person for the job! Of course we all know our pastors, Rev. Neil Yongue, Rev. Jim Morrison and Rev. Daniel Burbage. Daniel serves as our Bluffton Campus Pastor while Neil and Jim are on Hilton Head.



Phyllis Brodie is our admin behind the scenes. We try not to call on her unless all other avenues have been exhausted, but she is always ready to be a resource for you. **phyllisbhiumc@gmail.com**



Connie Borgianini is Director of Family Ministries & Christian Education. She resources faith-growing and fellowship opportunities from her Pope office. **conniebhiumc@gmail.com**



Nadine Stohr is in charge of finances. In addition to handling your contributions, she also prepares the weekly bulletin for Hilton Head. **nadineshiumc@gmail.com**



Lauren Ricciardelli is Children's Coordinator for Hilton Head. (Ages 0-grade 5) **laurenrhiumc@gmail.com**



Megan Kaelin works for both campuses. She puts together The Fisherman, does the weekly Bluffton bulletin, and if you need a name tag she's the one to email. **mkaelinhiumc@gmail.com**



Matt Edmunds is Director of Youth Ministries (ages 6th-12th grade) for both campuses. **mattehhiumc@gmail.com**

Above: Tim Reynolds is Director of Music on Hilton Head **timrhiumc@gmail.com**

Jason Snyder is Bluffton's Worship Leader. **jasonshiumc@gmail.com**

Not pictured: Organist: Debby Graves; Hilton Head Sexton: Bret Jennings; Upward Coordinator: Bob Rosene

Upcoming Events



Mark your calendars now! Join us for outside games, food, fellowship, prayer and worship. This night will feature our Bluffton Worship Band. Invite your friends and enjoy!

Volunteers Needed!!!

If you would be willing to bring a dish, please email Megan at mkaelinhhiumc@gmail.com.



VBS Hilton Head Campus

St. Andrew By-The-Sea UMC invites children to come ride the wave of God's amazing love! At this year's Surf Shack Vacation Bible School, children will learn about God's steadfast love and how to share His light with everyone. We'll have fun with Bible stories, crafts, science experiments and amazing music to keep them singing His praises. **Please note the date correction: July 18th-22nd**. To join in the fun and sun, register online via the church website (hhiumc.com) OR by using your InFellowship account. Questions? Concerns? Contact Lauren Ricciardelli at laurenrhhiumc@gmail.com or via church office phone.

Grown ups and Youth - we need YOU to be part of the fun, too.

- Puppeteer
- Assistant Craft Room Surf Coach & Youth Assistants
- Décor Leader (pre-VBS) & Décor Team members
- Preschool Leader
- Adult and Youth Small Group "Lifeguards" (moving children to/from stations)
- Service Squad Assistants
- Recreation Assistants
- Sound/AV Tech & Assistant
- Photographer

Spring Cleaning/Repair Day at Pope Ave. May 14, 9am-2pm

Time for our spring clean-up and fix-it day at Pope Ave. We will have chores for all ages and skills:

Minor repairs
Interior painting and patching
Kitchen deep cleaning

Scrubbing and dusting
Cleaning and sorting
Fence painting (kids and youth)



Men, women, teens, and children are all encouraged to help us with this day of service and fellowship. Come and stay for the day, or just spend a couple of hours – we'll take all the help we can get! If possible, please sign-up after worship on May 8. You may also call or email the church office at 843-785-4711.

Upcoming Events Continued...

Rock Star Lock-In! Starts at 6pm Friday May 27 Pick up by 8am Saturday May 28

On Friday, May 27th the children in Bluffton are going to party like they are Rock Star's to commemorate their last day of school!!! We hope you can join us for our first ever "Rock Star Lock-In." All school aged children are encouraged to participate! Younger siblings (preschool aged) are welcome to join us for some of our festivities, but will need to be picked up by 9:30pm. If you are unsure if your child will be comfortable staying, no problem, pack overnight clothes and we will check in as the night progresses. They are welcome to head home anytime. Dinner will be served and breakfast will be provided. Don't plan on much beauty rest as they will rock the night away!! Questions: Contact Monica Barricks [864-838-5227](tel:864-838-5227) Or email: monicabhiumc@gmail.com.



Two Front Doors Summer Picnic

June 26

Jarvis Creek Park



The Pleasure of God

Finding Grace in the Ordinary

May 17 to June 7

11:00-12:00

Room C111 (Hilton Head Campus)

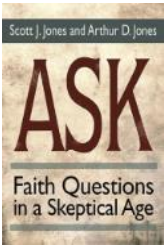
How can anything be ordinary if we find the glory of God there?

Whatever might be said of life's most thrilling or transformative moments, most of our time is spent in ordinary things. We spend a third of our lives sleeping. In our adult lives, perhaps a quarter to a third of each week is spent at work. And then there's more of the common stuff: eating, waiting in line (or traffic), watching TV, and surfing the internet.

Is there glory in any of this? Where is the abundant life of which Jesus spoke? In this inspiring new work, J. Ellsworth Kalas says that the glory is found not just in the ecstasy of love or victory but in all of life, whether euphoric or ordinary. Kalas believes it is possible to live with such joy and gladness of hearts that we find *our ordinary lives graced by the pleasure of God*. He offers a guide to spiritual contentment in the midst of busy lives, showing us the meaning in those seemingly small aspects of every day.

Please join us on Tuesdays for this 4-week study/time of reflection that will allow you to take a deep breath and perhaps a fresh perspective on your life. A limited number of study books are available (\$10). Call or email Connie at the church office to reserve a book and sign-up. **Please read through page 29 before our first session together.**

Upcoming Events Continued...



Ask: Faith Questions in a Skeptical Age

Sundays @ 10:15-11:00 in C105 (Hilton Head Campus)

Many people express some doubts about Christian faith. In this thought-provoking DVD-based study Bishop Scott Jones, author of *The Wesleyan Way*, partners with his son Rev. Arthur Jones, to address hard questions that all of us face when considering faith, religion, and the church. Some of the questions include:

- Why is there suffering and evil?
- Can only one religion be true?
- How can I believe in science and creation?
- Can I trust the Old Testament?
- Are marriage, sex, and family life religious issues?
- Why do Christians disagree about so many things?

The message is strong and clear: Don't let your questions stop you from accepting God's invitation to a growing faith. Engage your doubt, and you may find you are closer to God than you think. Each session stands on its own, so come and join the group as you are able. The Seekers Sunday School class will welcome you at any time!

Daily Prayer & Meditation

We are members of this wonderful congregation, even though for 10 months of the year we are at home in the Chicagoland area. We first started attending St. Andrew several years ago and were impressed with the welcome we received. A couple of years ago our church situation at home changed and we decided that the values we found at St. Andrew are the values we espouse for ourselves.

What to do? We know that where two are gathered together in His name, you have community so we developed a service that we can hold at our dining table.

Right after breakfast we light our Spirit Candle: the candle sits in a basket of shells which makes us feel close to St. Andrew. We believe our "little service" is more meaningful if it includes some ritual. We both participate, after an opening "Call to Worship," in which we praise God and thank Him for his many blessings, we say the Lord's Prayer in a thoughtful manner, closing by praying for those on our prayer list. We then use several printed materials that have been gathered from various sources. We study the Bible each day with suggested readings from both the Old and New Testament. We generally close with a thought for the day, asking for the Lord's help in living each day as Christ would have us do. This is such an important part of our daily lives that we try to avoid altering the routine in any way. Since we have found this to be an important part of our lives, we recommend it to everyone. If you are interested, please contact us: Carolyn & Jack Strong: (h) [847-515-2936](tel:847-515-2936), (c) [847-204-0444](tel:847-204-0444), or at CDS3097@aol.com. We would be happy to give you additional information and share our prayers and readings with you.



New Members



Please welcome St. Andrew's newest members! Heather Bragg (left) joined in Bluffton on April 3, and her children Griffin and Amelia were baptized. Her husband Mike was also in attendance.

John and Cindy Troyer (right) joined our church family on May 1, at our 10:30 Bluffton Worship Service.





Who to talk with? Who will listen, who will care? (Mike)

The day after I told Pastor John I would like to meet with a Stephen Minister, I was on the way home for lunch when Evelyn called on my cell phone. Introducing herself as the referrals coordinator for our church's Stephen Ministry program, Evelyn asked if she could stop by at my earliest convenience. Although I was surprised she called so soon, I was glad to get the process started. I had given it a lot of thought and decided that nothing would change in my life if I didn't take the first step. We set a time to meet the next morning, only a couple of days after I had called Pastor John.

On Thursday morning, Evelyn arrived at the appointed time. Following introductions and brief conversation to break the ice, Evelyn began talking about Stephen Ministry. As the referrals coordinator, it's her responsibility to interview new Stephen Ministry care receivers like me and to determine which Stephen Minister is the best fit for each situation. She monitors the pairings on an on-going basis to ensure that each relationship meets the needs of the care receiver. The purpose of meeting with me (as with anyone who requests a Stephen Minister) was to help me understand how the program works, as well as to get to know a little about me so she can make the best possible assignment. I told her a little about myself, even less about my current situation with my business, and was relieved that she didn't probe further; I still wasn't ready to get into details, especially with someone I probably wouldn't see again.

Evelyn explained that the role of the Stephen Minister was not to "fix" my problems, but to be an encouraging, supportive Christian friend, listening and caring as I worked through my problems. He would be there to listen, not to advise or council. Meetings with the Stephen Minister, she said, are typically once a week, about one hour each, at a mutually agreed time and location, but it's really up to me how long and how often they occur. She then described bi-monthly meetings all Stephen Ministers must attend for continuing education and small group supervision, meetings that are designed to ensure a good relationship between care receiver and caregiver. As Evelyn talked about this bi-weekly meeting, something niggled at the back of my mind...Evelyn had stressed confidentiality, but had also said that she monitors the relationships and that there are these small group meetings where Stephen Ministers talk about their care receivers. How could all this be going on and, at the same time, still maintain confidentiality? I asked Evelyn how this works. She carefully explained that the the supervision meetings focus solely on the care receiver/caregiver *relationship*; the substance of conversations between the care receiver and Stephen Minister are never disclosed. In these small group meetings, Stephen Ministers follow a carefully scripted form designed by the Stephen Ministry organization in St. Louis that ensures they speak only in generalities; the care receiver's name is never mentioned, nor any details that may reveal the care receiver's identity. To understand how each relationship is progressing, Evelyn rotates among these small groups to listen as Stephen Ministers describe the relationship with their care receivers. Confidentiality in this process is rigorously enforced.

After talking for a while, answering all my questions, and putting most of my concerns to rest, I asked Evelyn what the next step was. She smiled and said, "I have a good idea who to ask to be your Stephen Minister. I'll call him today and talk with him about it." She assured me someone would be in touch with me in the next day or so to arrange the first meeting. After she left, I felt as though I had taken one small step toward getting my life back. I was still apprehensive; the idea of meeting with a total stranger and talking about personal stuff was still disconcerting. But...I had made up my mind and I was resolved to give it a shot.

People in this story are entirely fictitious, but the storyline is representative of many Stephen Ministry experiences. For more information regarding "Your Stephen Ministry," please contact: Scottie Lindsay - (843) 363-2213 or David Peterson - (843) 682-3639, or email stephenministryhhiumc@gmail.com.



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Giving At A Glance (January-March 2016)

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	<u>Pledge Contribu- tions</u>	<u>Non-Pledge and Loose Plate Contributions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Actual thru 03/31/2016	\$309,512	\$49,412	\$358,924
Budget thru 03/31/2016	\$291,900	\$64,600	\$356,500
Variance	\$17,612	(\$15,188)	\$2,424
	Above Budget	Below Budget	Above Budget

Income and Expenses (January-March 2016)

	<u>For The Year Actual</u>	<u>For The Year Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Income	\$375,724	\$355,644	\$20,080
Expenses	\$327,842	\$351,618	(\$23,776)
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$47,882	\$4,026	\$43,856

Capital Campaign Update

Total Pledged thru 03/31/2016	\$2,182,196
Total Received thru 03/31/2016	\$ 850,663 (39.0%)