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# ST. ANDREWS HERALD

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**Lebanon Big Swing Band**  
**Friday, October 14, 2011**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
presented by  
*Applause...Memorable Music at*  
*St. Andrews*  
*(see page 4)*

# SEEING the UNSEEN CHRIST

How His Presence  
Transforms Life

## 50 - Day Spiritual Adventure

**October 2, 2011**

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Romans 12:3-9

*“Serving Him with Gratitude & Eagerness”*

**October 9, 2011**

1 Thessalonians 2:13

*“Surrender to the Truth of God’s Word”*

**October 16, 2011**

Matthew 6:5-18

*“Experience the Privilege of  
Authentic Prayer”*

**October 23, 2011**

Acts 2:1-11

2 Corinthians 5:16-6:2

*“Delighting in Introducing Him to Others”*

**October 30, 2011**

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Recognition of 50+ Year Members

Special Reception

Ephesians 1:15-23, 3:14-21

*“Celebrate God’s Gift of Life at its Best”*

**Mourning**



**has Broken** A Grief Support Group of  
A Grief Support Group of St. Andrews  
**St. Andrews Church**

*All that we do is touched with ocean, yet we remain  
On the shore of what we know.*

Richard Wilbur

We who stand close to the mystery of death yearn to know more. What is it like to make that crossing? Is it a crossing, or is this the end? In the power of faith and hope, we believe that our loved ones have gone on to greater glory.

But what is that like? Do the dead know our lives? Do they know how we love and miss them? People who report near-death experiences tell of hovering above their bodies watching efforts to resuscitate them – and report moving toward images of light and love so inviting that it is almost difficult to come back. And when they – or any of us – die, do our spirits stay around for a while and then move on? Do our loved ones come to meet us when we go?

Questions such as these have been raised during the discussions at the Grief Support Group meetings. Some say they like to believe that the answers to these questions are definitely a “yes”. But then there are often other questions surrounding the strength of one’s faith with regards to these topics and many other questions. Very often there are no real definitive answers. Even the pastor who serves as our mentor will say he has no answers to a lot of the questions. But we find that by simply asking the questions and talking about them, we can feel better about where we are with our grieving, even though there is no real “answer” to the question. Perhaps we don’t really need to know the answers after all!

We welcome anyone who has had a loss, recently or a while ago, to join our group. Our meetings are open to anyone, whether members of St. Andrews or not. Our usual meeting day is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 2:00 PM, in Cassel Chapel. The October meeting will be October 13. Please feel free to come meet with us!

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Steve Gribble at the church, 272-9933; Jane Juppenlatz, at 272-0218; or Pat Yates at 273-9297.

When I read the essay printed above, I was reminded of a poem that was shared a while ago in our group. I have been moved every time I read it, and I will share it with you.

The Little Ship (author unknown)

I stood watching as the little ship sailed out to sea. The setting sun tinted his white sails with a golden light, and as he disappeared from sight a voice at my side whispered, “He is gone”.

But the sea was a narrow one. On the farther shore a little band of friends had gathered to watch and wait in happy expectation. Suddenly they caught sight of the tiny sail, and at the very moment when my companion had whispered, “He is gone”, a glad shout went up in joyous welcome, “Here he comes!”

*I trust that what is unknown to me is for my good and my ultimate peace and joy.*



**CROP WALK**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16**  
**1:00 - 3:00**

BEGINNING AND ENDING IN  
 SOUTH HILLS PARK

CAN'T WALK? SPONSOR OTHER WALKERS!

# DEACON DOINGS

## Welcome and Farewell to Eunike Guttridge

I would like to introduce you to the Board of Deacons newest member and one we are losing much too soon!! Nike Guttridge was elected to fill an unexpired term in early Spring, 2011. All too soon, we have had to say a sad farewell to her as she and her family move back to Tim's family home in Oregon.

To let you know about this special lady whom we will miss very much, I asked her husband, Tim, for a little bit of history on Nike. She was born and educated through her baccalaureate degree in her native Indonesia. In 1992 Nike came to Orange County California and lived with an Indonesian family friend. There she took English. She enrolled in a Master's program at University of Missouri in 1993, majoring in Early Childhood Education. While there she attended First Presbyterian Church of Columbia. It was there that she met Tim, also a University of Missouri student in 1995. They were married in 1997 in Oregon and continued to live there until 2001 when they moved to Milton, PA. In 2004 Nike, Tim, Kara and Kendra moved to Lebanon and have lived and participated in the life of St. Andrews since. Nike, using her knowledge in Early Childhood Development, was a driving force in the organization of Mustard Seeds and was also known for her creative talent in decorating the church sanctuary and Snyder Hall for special events and holidays. She, along with Tim, Kara and Kendra, will be greatly missed as they leave on August 31<sup>st</sup>, heading for new challenges and back to Tim's family in Oregon. The Deacons will also miss her participation, dedication to and caring for her district members, but we know she and all the Guttridge family will bless another church through the use of their time and talents.

# Happy Birthday!

<u>October birthdays</u>			
1	Lori Brandt	15	Carolyn Kilgore
	Tiffany Spicer		Lorraine Lowrie
2	Linda Duncan		Sue Mechura
	Bob Hearson		Carol Schiller
3	Christiana Appleby Uy	16	Fiona Tshudy
	Thomas Phillips III	18	Rachel Salahub
4	Laura Koppenhaver	19	Belinda Spicer
	Nancy Leshner	21	Marie Cikovic
	Virginia Phillips		Mark Brandt
5	Ellen Dreibelbis	22	Nicole Becker
	Hallie Fenton	23	Brooke Emenheiser
6	Paul Kilgore	26	John Spicer III
7	Sam Dreibelbis	29	Donna Cikovic
	Collin Jones		Don Beatty
	Benjamin Tenney	30	Karen Register
8	Dave Funk	31	Robin Welte
	Stephen Glick		Sam Abram, Sr.
	Jere Shiner		Katelynn Sensenig
	Lauren Fisch		
9	Jason Albert		
10	Bridget Hofman		
	Marilyn Marshall		
	Barbara Moyer		
	Edna Hull		
12	Emma Spengler		
13	James Miller		



## APPLAUSE... MEMORABLE MUSIC AT ST. ANDREWS

The Concert Series Committee is excited to announce the first concert of our 2011-2012 Concert Series. The **LEBANON BIG SWING BAND** will start off the series with a concert in our sanctuary on Friday, October 14, at 7:30 PM. The 18-member ensemble includes 6 saxophones, 4 trumpets, 4 trombones, piano, bass, and drums. It also features vocalists Amanda Ainsworth and Bob Phillips.

The Big Swing Band was organized in 1990 by Edgar Felty, Lee Moyer, and Karl Wolf, Jr., members of Local 401-750 of the American Federation of Musicians, Lebanon, PA, to provide an opportunity for area musicians to present music of the Big Band Era. Their repertoire includes music of favorite dance bands such as Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Harry James, Ray Anthony, Count Basie, and Duke Ellington.

Included on the program for this concert will be familiar favorites, including "In The Mood", "Somebody Loves Me", "Basie Straight Ahead", "The Way We Were", "Jersey Bounce", "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy", and many others. It promises to be a wonderful evening filled with good old big band music and lots of nostalgia! In other words, a "swingin' good time" and lots of "toe-tapping"!

As is the case with all our concerts, the program will be followed by a Reception in the Gathering Area with a bounty of goodies prepared and served by Perry Latshaw and her merry band of St. Andrews bakers! This will be an opportunity for fellowship and to meet the musicians.

The other two concerts in this year's series include **Randy and Dawn Marks**, on Friday, December 2, at 7:30, starting off the Advent season with music and testimonials. And on Friday, March 16, 2012, also at 7:30, "**Still Simple Gifts**", an instrumental group from the Mechanicsburg area.

In case you have not done so yet, it is not too late to become a sponsor of our concerts. There is a level for everyone: Benefactor - \$250.00; Patron - \$100.00; Sponsor - \$50.00; Friend - \$25.00. Please send your check to the church office and notate it "Concert Series". We will greatly appreciate your support.

The Concert Series Committee has been working hard to present a



place in the gathering area. There you may socialize with friends and react to the "Champions of the Faith."

Let's fill our sanctuary on the day before **Reformation Sunday**. What a well-timed occasion and cause for celebrating our rich Christian heritage.

Presbyterian Women and FISH cordially invite you and your friends to attend.

C.P.W. will again participate in the **2011 Truck Stop Cookie Distribution**. All you need to do is place 6 - 10 cookies in a plastic baggie and deliver to the church. Watch for further details and announcements. This is such a simple - and tasty - way to show your Christian concern for all traveling persons.

St. Francis said: "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;  
where this is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury...pardon.  
Where there is sadness...joy."

Blessings from the P.W. Coordinating Team.

## PW October Clothing Drive

For many years, St. Andrews has been sending good, used clothing to Sunset Gap Community Center (Cosby, TN), a ministry of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. For the fifth year, in addition to benefiting Sunset Gap, our clothing drive will benefit local clothing banks such as Goodwill, Jubilee Ministries, LCCM, and Salvation Army. Please designate your donations for either "Sunset Gap" or "Local" clothing banks. If you don't have a preference, packers will use their discretion in distributing your items. Belts, shoes, handbags, and coats will be shared locally. Be sure to secure belts and ties to their matching items.

We also welcome donations of sturdy packing boxes for mailing and large, heavy-duty plastic bags for local distribution.

Please bring your clothing donations to the closet by the elevator in Snyder Hall during the month of October. Packing day is Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> beginning at 9 a.m. All hands are welcome! Come join us in Snyder Hall for this morning of fellowship and mission.



Blessings,  
Helen Leaman 273-5112  
Betty Ann Seiser 228-0467



# Presbyterian Women

“Enter into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise, be thankful unto him and bless his name, for the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.”

Greetings to St. Andrews members from Presbyterian Women, who through its leadership plans and implements a yearly program of outreach and determines its own budget.

Please note the following activities:

1. Bible Study - First and third Wednesdays, September through December; Cassel Chapel; Leader: Jean Miller. Ephesians “No Longer Strangers” Lunch on each first Wednesday only,
2. Annual P.W. Clothing Drive. Place your donations in the closet beside the elevator in Snyder Hall. Some clothing will be retained for local use - LCCM, Salvation Army, Jubilee Ministries, etc. Packing date: Monday, October 31 at 9 am in Snyder Hall. Come, lend a hand and enjoy fellowship in working for a great cause.
3. Thanks for your donations and for Wanda Bechtold’s expertise in preparing the “Gift Wrap and Greeting Card” tote for LCCM’s annual benefit dinner and silent auction. Thanks for your donations. \$75.00 was realized.
4. Sewing Circle meets each Tuesday at 9 am in our Youth center. Their projects are both numerous and helpful to our community. New members are always welcome.
5. Save Saturday, October 29th and place a reminder on your calendar NOW. Bring friends to our gathering at 1 pm in the sanctuary for a spiritually uplifting meeting. The theme: “Champions of the Faith.” Three interpreters and re-enactors will present the following personalities - in costume - who enlarged our Christian faith, as early as the 1400s!

Our artists will be:

- ◆ Dr. Kevin Pry, associate professor of English, Lebanon Valley College, impersonating Martin Luther.
  - ◆ Our own Rev. Steven Gribble impersonating John Knox.
  - ◆ Elaine Behney, interpreting the life and times of Susanna Wesley.
- What a team! You will be blessed, enriched and informed by their presentations.

A brass ensemble, coordinated by H. Lee Moyer will share appropriate music, and the gathered group will be singing some of the great hymns - words written by John and Charles Wesley. Following the program, a social hour with cookies and punch, will take

diverse series of concerts for your enjoyment this year. We hope you will come to the concerts and bring your friends along, too! We look forward to seeing you on Friday, October 14, for the **LEBANON BIG SWING BAND!**

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## LCCM Updates

During the months of May and June, LCCM received 49,011 pounds of food! LCCM is deeply grateful to each individual and group for their support. LCCM’s 17th Annual Golf outing at Lebanon Valley Golf Course in Myerstown on Friday, June 3rd raised \$25,352.62 to provide food, clothing, and other emergency services to families and individuals in need or crisis. Next year’s golf outing is set for Friday, June 1, 2012.

Upcoming events:

- October 8: Community Open House at LCCM
- December 8: Hoss’s Fundraiser Night

## LCCM Wish List

### FOOD BANK

- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Canned Potatoes
- Cold Cereal
- 18 oz. Jams & Jellies
- Toiletries
- Cleaning Supplies
- 5 oz. Canned Chicken
- 12 oz. Spam
- Plastic Grocery Bags

### CLOTHING BANK

- New Boys’ Boxers - all sizes
- Boys’ Pants - all sizes
- Boys’ Jeans - all sizes
- Men’s Jeans
- New Men’s Boxers - all sizes
- Towels
- Fitted Sheets, All Sizes



Financial Summary  
Year To Date Through July 31, 2011

Contributions	
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$216,197.01	\$240,916.99
Expenses	
<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
\$244,414.24	\$270,368.77

## Third-graders Receive Bibles on Rally Day

Reagan Catherine Brandt  
Davin Cole

Megan Hart Fedder  
Sarah Margaret Hamme  
Margaret Caitlyn Jones  
Sophie Jane Kapolka  
Wilder Albert Kapolka  
Christopher Paul Lingle  
Brynna D. Lister  
Matthew James Smith  
Luke Donald Tshudy

# Thank You!

Dear Rev. Gribble,  
I am writing to thank you and the members of St. Andrews for the fabulous care that you are taking of my mother, Kathryn Bemederfer, following her recent hospitalization. I can't tell you what a relief it is to my wife, my children and me that Mom has such loving and generous caregivers helping her to recover. I speak with her nearly every day and she never fails to mention how wonderfully she is being assisted by the members of St. Andrews.

You and your congregants give real meaning to the words "Christian charity" and my family will never forget what you have done and are doing for her and for us.

Sincerely,  
Karl J. Bemederfer



## SAPC FAMILY BONFIRE

Everyone is  
welcome!!

Where: The Risko's (14 Eve Ave, Lebanon)  
When: Saturday, October 22 starting at 6PM

Hot dogs and marshmallows provided  
Please bring a side dish and beverage to share

Call Kim or Chris at 865-7038 for directions or questions –  
no RSVP's needed!  
(Rain date: Saturday, October 29)