

Forty Days of Prayer for Lent

The Nurture/Discipleship Committee is offering an activity beginning in March that will conclude on Easter Sunday. Anyone in the church is asked to volunteer as a Prayer Partner by selecting to pray for one or more family groups for 40 days before Easter. All those in the church will be included and if you would like to participate in the praying, please let us know. The names will be randomly mixed and assignments will be anonymous until Easter. We need as many volunteers as possible. The only requirement is a willing heart and making a commitment to the task. We have over 200 families and individuals to serve, help is needed. Outlines will be available to guide you, if you like.

After 40 days, each Prayer Partner will give or mail an Easter greeting or remembrance to their partners as a symbol of their personal sacrificial gift. We will provide some free cards, but you may make or purchase others if you like. The Prayer Partners will be revealed to each other on Easter morning starting after the Early Sunrise Service. We will provide more details in the next newsletter, church bulletins and handouts. To volunteer or find out more, contact Sally Malone at sallyj.malone@gmail.com or members of the Nurture/Discipleship Committee: Glenn Schove, Paula Childress, Misty Anderson, and UMW assistants Kay Larson or Jean Meyer.



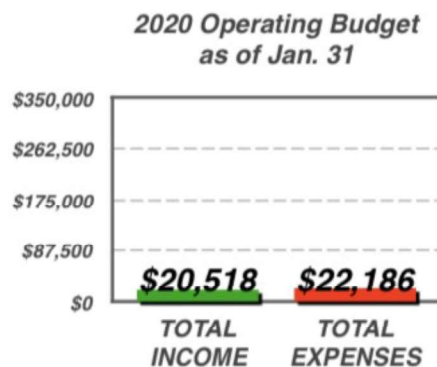
Each month, on the last Sunday of that month, we will have cake in the coffee area adjacent to the fellowship hall! Gluten-free cake will be available, too. Please join us in eating the cake and wishing "Happy Birthday" to each person who has a birthday that month. For the month of March, the cake/celebration will be on **March 29th**. Hope to see you there!



Congratulations to approximately 50 scouts, parents and leaders who recently held a Court of Honor in the fellowship hall to present advancements in rank and merit badges to 15 scouts.

Financial Information

Did you know that you can make monetary gifts to St. Andrews from the St. Andrews' Website? Go to st-andrews.me and in the first section under the header look for the picture shown below. We are blessed to be able to give back to God a portion of what the Lord has given us. For your convenience, you may give to the general budget or to designated purposes. Credit Cards or ACH gifts are welcome.



The operating budget approved for 2020 is **\$359,320**.

Do the math: $359,320 \div 12 = \$29,943.33$ is needed each month to carry out the many missions and ministries that make us the church that cares. These include Interfaith Compassion Ministry, our annual Vacation Bible School, ongoing youth activities, free Sunday School class materials, our ramp building ministry, and the food pantry —among others.

Let's keep our money counters busy.



Mark your calendars! VBS this year will be **July 19-23**. Church members who are interested in being a volunteer, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at church or contact Carlee McAnally at carleem.mcanally@gmail.com. There will be a mandatory VBS training session prior to the start of VBS for all volunteers. Please be on the look out for more information.



Confirmation Retreat at Camp Lake Stephens
Andrew Masinelli, Jenna Kate Lampton, and
Chloe Childress

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANDREW'S

Volunteering is a great way to get plugged into St. Andrew's, feel like part of a community, and serve Jesus at the same time. God has uniquely equipped every person in our church with specific skills and gifts. As Christians, we are tasked with utilizing these gifts, not just in our church but out in our community. Using your God-given skills as a volunteer is a fantastic way to serve at St. Andrew's! Please see the bulletin board in the fellowship hall to see what type of volunteer opportunities we have for you to use your many talents. A big thank you to all our past, current and future volunteers!

