



Announcements: February 9th, 2025

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
Lectionary 5

Sunday Worship Service @ 10 a.m.
Online streaming available

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New Bern, NC 28560
Office Phone: (252) 637-5879

Website: <https://standrewnewbern.com>

SERVING GOD

February 9th @ 10 A.M.

PREACHER

Rev. Kenneth Saurman

USHERS/ATTENDANCE

Dennis & Charlene Treubert

ALTAR CARE

Gene & Judy DuPree



READING LESSONS

Anna Edmundson

SERVING COMMUNION

Pastor Saurman
Sam & Mary Ann Coxson

WORSHIP ASSISTANT

Dave Brown

READING PRAYERS

Linda Allind

GREETERS

Bob & Allison Hines

CRUCIFER

Bonnie Anderson

ACOLYTE

Kole Nafziger



MUSIC DIRECTOR

J.T. Ellenberger

BAKING BREAD

Barbara Bostian

LIVE STREAM

Dave & Doreen Huggett



JANUARY/FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE

IN SERVICE

DATE	TOTAL
January 5	94
January 12	85
January 19	83
January 26	96
February 2	95

ONLINE

DATE	TOTAL
January 5	94
January 12	78
January 19	
January 26	53
February 2	19



OFFICE HOURS

Week of February 10th – 14th

Emily Carraway

Mon. – Fri.: 9am - noon

Martha Nordstrom

Wednesday: noon – 4pm
Thursday: noon - 4pm

Prayer Lists

Members & friends with on-going health problems:

- ✦ Bill Dams
- ✦ Beverly Carpenter
- ✦ Laura Acosta
- ✦ Victoria Thomas

Members and friends needing prayers:

- ✦ Nancy Obermiller (sister of Frank Salvatore)
- ✦ Norman Payne (brother of Marilyn Staley)
- ✦ Russell Certo (Father of Kristen Stoeltzing)
- ✦ Connie Stover & Family (family of Jan Snyder)

The Prayer List is cleared at the end of each month.
If you want someone to still be on the Prayer List,
please call or email the church office.

St. Andrew Military Prayer List

- ✦ Eric Edmundson
- ✦ Andrew Heath (grandson of Dave & Peg Brown)
- ✦ Jonathan Peck (nephew of Dave & Peg Brown)
- ✦ Khai (Catherine NLCiin's son)
- ✦ Walt Owzarski

Tot Time – Brainstorming Meeting

Please join us for a brainstorming meeting to plan a new program for small children on Sunday, Feb. 9th after church. Some thoughts on Tot Time include:

- Tot Time is for families with children up to age 5
- Incorporates music and movement as well as a bible story to introduce the love of God to a new generation
- It should be a joyful, interactive, and engaging celebration
- Saturday mornings – once a month
 - 45 minutes
 - Music and movement - dancing to Christian songs with children playing toddler appropriate musical instruments
 - Bible story – told with visual aids or acted out, etc.
 - 15 minute snack time
- Parents stay with children - makes a connection between parents and the church
- Other suggestions appreciated!!!!



Call Multiplier Phone Calls

If you aren't receiving Call Multiplier calls:

- Try adding Call Multiplier to your contact list with this number (877) 333-9336
- If that doesn't work, please let the office know



Bagels & Bibles

When: Feb. 8th @ 8:30AM

What: Bible Study & Fellowship



Where: The Hoekmans
1105 Kea Court
Fairfield Harbour, NC 28560



Please let Barbara know that you plan to attend.
If you need directions or if you have any questions,
please contact Barbara at: 252-633-9543.

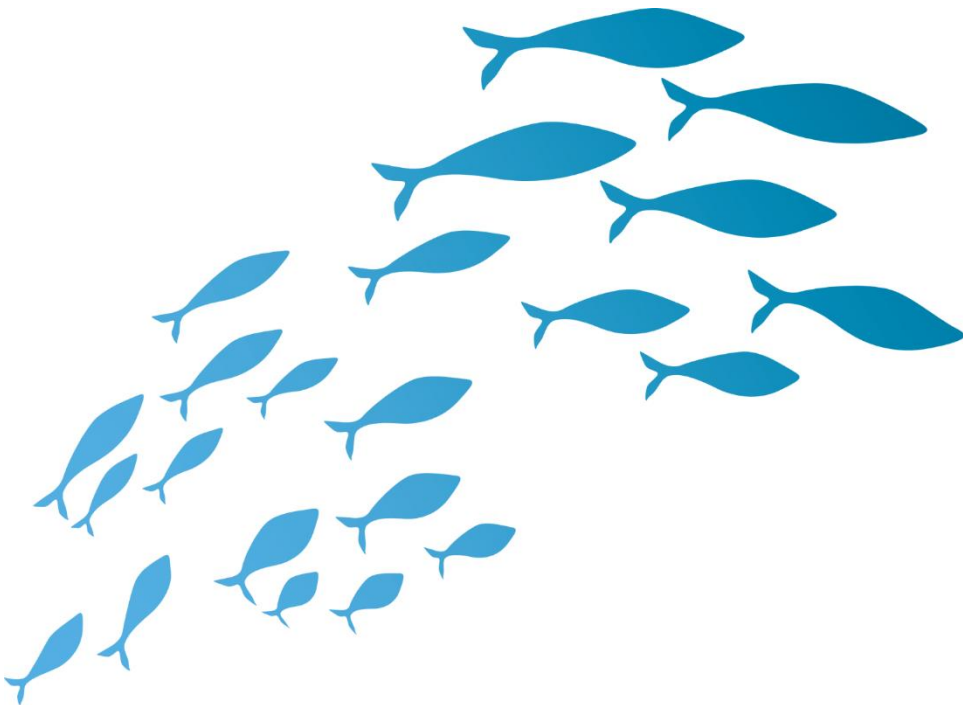
GOD
IS OUR REFUGE
and **STRENGTH,**
a very
PRESENT
HELP
IN TROUBLE.
PSALM 46:1

IMAGES IN THE READINGS

The New Testament speaks of some of the Jesus' followers as having originally been fisherfolk. Perhaps this is a genuine memory of the early decades of the church. But it also builds upon the many biblical references to **fish**. An example of the image of fish used metaphorically is the vision in Ezekiel (47:10) when at the time of God's great salvation, there will be plenteous fish. A doublet of this story is narrated as a post-resurrection appearance (John 21:1-14). That an acronym for the church's earliest creed—Jesus Christ, God's Son, Savior—spells the Greek word for fish led to the drawing of a fish being the earliest symbol used by Christians as a sign of their identity. In today's story, there are more fish than the disciples can handle.

In Isaiah's vision, the Israelite **temple**, with its altar and burning coals, gets merged with the image of God as the sovereign of all things sitting on a **throne** above the skies. In antiquity, many polytheisms imagined the gods as reigning from an upper level of the universe. Even in our time, many hymns retain the imagery of God's throne room as above all created things.

Most artistic images of angels are not biblically informed. The word for **seraphim**, the same as that describing the fiery serpents that bit the Israelites, designates a mythical monster closer to a dragon than to winged women clothed in white, who resemble fairies. Cherubim, as far from toddler angels as possible, were griffins, that is, winged lions that flanked a monarch's throne as symbols of power and protection. Would such imagery be helpful in our time, or not?



February BIRTHDAYS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 KAREN ELLENBERGER	5	6	7 MIKE BONNER	8 SHELIA LINK DEVIN BUSHER MADELINE HELTZEL
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 BARBARA BOSTIAN	18	19 SUSAN SPIRKO	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 BONNIE ANDERSON	27 JIM EGGERT	28	29

February Anniversaries

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 LYNN & MARGARET CAHOON	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29