



*And Jesus said to them,
"Follow me and I will make
You fish for people."
Mark 1:17*

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Anita Duhon, Secretary/Newsletter Editor
May Elders: Ginger Keenan and Thomas Logan
June Elders: Jennifer Couvillion and Connor Couvillion

**Your Session Hard at Work
April**

Your session continues to be outstanding in their commitment to St. Andrew. In April, Thomas Logan was accepted into the PSL course of study to become a Commissioned Pastor, and he has expressed a strong interest in serving at St. Andrew. As part of his application, the Session enthusiastically endorsed Thomas Logan to be enrolled in the course of study to become a Commissioned Pastor in the Presbytery of South Louisiana.

Also at the April meeting, the session took care of a yearly housekeeping chore by reviewing our bylaws and adopting them with one slight amendment to take care of electronic motions and voting.

Architect Jeff Kudla has already begun to investigate our options. He has hired engineer Jason Duhon to investigate the possibility of repairing the Sanctuary, instead of building a new structure. The Property Committee is also seeking an appraisal for the Sanctuary and the surrounding land in case we decide to sell that piece of property and put a Sanctuary elsewhere. After our options are made clear, we will be able to move towards having a Sanctuary again.

At the recommendation of and with a grant from Presbytery our minutes books from 1953 through 2022 were sent to the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia for safe storage. The next phase will be to digitize as many of these records as possible with our remaining grant money.

I continue to be amazed by the dedication and hard work of our session and of our congregation. Thanks to each member of St. Andrew, we have been able to keep our church alive in spite of the tremendous traumas of repairing the Wright Building and Fellowship Hall after Hurricane Laura, losing our Sanctuary, losing our pastor, and having to wait so long for an insurance settlement. We are steadily moving forward with our recovery. Thanks be to God.

Love in Christ
Anne Dye

2024 Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women

Launched in 1922 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the Birthday offering is a time-honored annual tradition. The recipients chosen this year were Advocates for Community Choice dba Bethel Hills Villa in Marthasville Missouri (Bethelhills.org). The organization helps adults with intellectual/ developmental disabilities find supportive, safe, loving housing.

The other recipient was Shawnee Presbyterian Church, Café Gingko, in Louisville, Kentucky ([facebook.com/louisvilleshawneepresbyterian](https://www.facebook.com/louisvilleshawneepresbyterian)). Located in an economically disadvantaged area, this dedicated congregation will be able again to serve free dine-in meals and offer other services to this community.



"Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out."

- John Wooden



Prayers and Concerns

We offer prayers of thanksgiving for those who visited this past month.

Remember in your prayers the many members and friends in need of support during the trying times of their lives: Pat Barron; Linda Cannon; Virginia Conrad; Mary Davis; Jody Flanagan; Linda Latour; Liam Simon; Alivia Simon; EJ Smith; Carol Bell's son, Patrick.

Condolences to the family and friends of Pat Barron. Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past month. May the peace of the Lord be with them.

Birthdays

- 5/04 Gentry Davis
- Lou Bourque
- 5/17 Madalyn Gordon
- 5/27 Jude Jaramillo

Anniversaries

- 5/04 Louis and Marlon
- 5/21 Amy and Joe Stark

Upcoming Events

May 10-Fabulous Friday

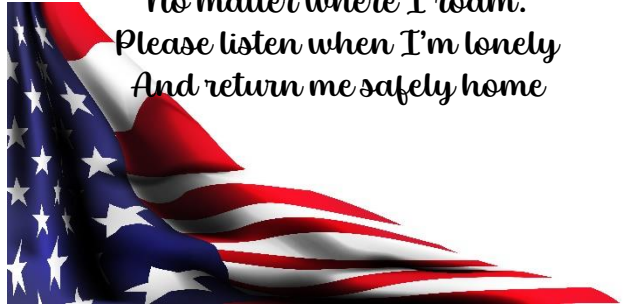
- + 10:30am:
 - Brief business meeting
 - Celebration of the 2024 PW Birthday Offering
 - Bible Study
- + 11:30am: Brown bag luncheon
- + 1:00pm: Mission Stitches

May 14-PEO Meeting at 9:00am in Richardson Room

Memorial Day is Monday, May 27. It commemorates fallen soldiers that have fought for our freedom.

A Soldier's Prayer

Dear Lord, I'm just a soldier
 A protector of our land.
 A servant called to battle
 When my country takes a stand
 I pray for strength and courage
 And a heart that will forgive.
 For peace and understanding
 In a world for all to live.
 My family's prayers are with me.
 No matter where I roam.
 Please listen when I'm lonely
 And return me safely home



The St. Andrew Mission Stitches are crafty and creative. They have been busy making items to sale to support projects for the needy, and making many handy, beautiful items to enjoy. You will be able to see them displayed in the Fellowship Hall and on the St. Andrew Presbyterian website.



ADVENTURE AWAITS!
Camp Agape 2024

<p>INTRO CAMP WEEKEND 1st - 3rd Graders June 14 - 16</p>	<p>CAMP AGAPE WEEK 3rd - 12th Graders June 16 - 22</p>
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Details and registration at asburylafayette.org/campagape






May Calendar

Elders for May: Ginger Keenan and Thomas Logan
Elders for June: Connor Couvillion and Jennifer Couvillion



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:00 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon mtg 6:30 pm Choir Practice	2 12:30-3:00pm Art Class	3 12:30 pm Mission Stitchers	4 12:00pm New Beginnings Al-Anon
5 11:00 am Worship Service w/communion- (Children stay in worship) (Also on ZOOM) Stated Session After worship Pulpit: Rev. Constance McIntosh	6 Office Closed	7 Office closed	8 6:00 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon mtg 6:30 pm Choir Practice Office closed	9 12:30-3:00pm Art Class	10 Fab Friday 10:30 am New Bible Study starts 12.00 pm PW Luncheon with Cookie Exchange 1:30 pm Mission Stitchers	11 12:30 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon
12 11:00 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall (Also on ZOOM) Pulpit: Rev. Constance McIntosh	13	14 9:00am PEO Mtg	15 6:00 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon mtg 6:30 pm Choir Practice	16 12:30-3:00pm Art Class	17 12:30 pm Mission Stitchers	18 12:30 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon
19 <i>Day of Pentecost</i> 11:00 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall (Also on ZOOM) 2-7pm Fellowship Hall reserved Pulpit Supply: Thomas Logan, Ruling Elder	20	21	22 6:00 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon mtg 6:30 pm Choir Practice	23 12:30-3:00pm Art Class	24 12:30 pm Mission Stitchers	25 12:30 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon
26 11:00 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall (Also on ZOOM) Fellowship Luncheon after worship Pulpit: Thomas Logan, Ruling Elder	27 <i>Memorial Day</i> Office Closed 	28	29 6:00 pm New Beginnings Al-Anon mtg 6:30 pm Choir Practice	30 12:30-3:00pm Art Class	31 12:30 pm Mission Stitchers	

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