Live generously,
Give generously
WHAT WE DO
Saint Andrews has always been blessed with great worship, and we have a great variety in times, styles, and locations. In addition to our 9 am Connections Service, our 11 am Traditional Service, our Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter services, we gathered to comfort one another and pray for our nation and the victims of the Sandy Hook School tragedy. Who can forget the energy in the Sanctuary as we were led in worship by our youth on Youth Sunday and our children on Children’s Sunday?

We have taken worship into members’ homes, sharing communion with those who couldn’t come to church due to illness or life circumstances; we’ve crossed borders as our youth and adult mission teams have praised God in Haiti and in Belize. From acolytes, to scripture readers, to liturgists, to choir, to praise team, to handbells, to children’s choirs, to greeters and ushers, to sanctuary care, to communion preparation, to our sound team, and every person present, there is a place for everyone to worship fully at Saint Andrews.

Worship the Lord with gladness... Psalm 100:2

Youth Sunday gets everyone out of their seats for an opening energizer!
WHAT WE PLAN TO DO
In the coming year, we will build on our worship traditions while responding to the movement of God’s Spirit in new ways. We look to...

• Welcome our new Director of Music and Worship Arts,

• Engage worshipers visually by incorporating arts in the narthex and sanctuary,

• Continue to find opportunities for youth and children to lead worship, and

• Encourage engagement between God’s message and those who come to hear it.
HOW WE GATHER
Fellowship happens everywhere at Saint Andrews. We made friends with one another during worship and between services, at the Haiti Mission Breakfast, our youth’s Pancake Breakfast, at our choir concert with Davie Street Presbyterian Church, and during the week at our monthly food trucks.

We laughed, learned, and ate at Wednesday Night Live, Sing-o de Mayo, and Rally Day. Presbyterian Women’s Circles, Covenant Groups, Piecemakers, Prayer Shawl group, PrimeTimers, TNT, Merge, new Connections (post college and early career), Presbyterian Women, Youth Groups, and more all provide a place for people to feel at home and know they belong.

WE’LL WORK TO STRENGTHEN TIES
In the coming year we want to strengthen those ties that bind us together through churchwide fellowship events. We’ll look to...

• Create more fellowship opportunities between our Sunday services,
• Offer quarterly fellowship via our Men of Saint Andrews,
• Provide learning for all ages at Wednesday Night Live (with even better food),
• Keep demonstrating Christ’s love with a Trunk-Or-Treat before Halloween,
• Share the joy of Christmas by caroling in December, and
• Add a part-time Kitchen Manager who will keep our kitchen ready for great fellowship.

A great strength of SAPC has always been our welcoming spirit... fellowship isn’t just for “us.”
WE LOVE TO LEARN
At Saint Andrews, opportunities abound for loving God with our minds. Learning happens in many ways, and we provide diverse ways for people to participate.

Adult Sunday School has grown in attendance over the past two years, with classes ranging from topical to biblical and for people of all levels of knowledge. Classes for adults are offered during the week at multiple, convenient times. Youth learn the Christian faith at Sunday School, Youth Group, on retreats, during Bible study, while on mission, and in confirmation class. One youth said Saint Andrews has been the “perfect environment for my faith to begin its development.” Our Children’s Ministry has redesigned Wondrous Worshipers and moved this offering to the Sunday School hour to better teach our first and second graders about worship.

YOUR GIVING WILL HELP US...
- Unveil new materials and lessons for children in Sunday School,
- Hire paid staff for our 2 year-olds class to provide loving consistency,
- Pay Youth Interns,
- Strive to meet Youth Ministry’s goal of 100% inclusion - 100% of our active members to have a positive interaction with our youth and 100% participation among our youth within the ministries of Saint Andrews,
- Acquire supplies (workbooks and Bibles) to supplement the wide variety of our educational ministries, and
- Dream about providing additional learning opportunities for our members and visitors with special needs.
A COMPLETE FAITH

Our faith would not be complete without helping one another; that is part of the Great Commandment.

Our Deacons lead us in showing Christ’s love through hospital visits, providing meals and care. The work they have done in support of families is invaluable. Our Stephen Ministry continues to equip leaders to confidentially listen with care and compassion. When it comes to hands-on, our Faith Crew provides basic home repair for members in need, and our Bereavement Committee steps in when families need them most.

Showing Christ’s love through helping others is not limited to our family... it is extended to all of God’s people. Saint Andrews supports 10 local mission partners and 5 international partners.

We help the poor, feed the hungry, clothe the needy, and educate the orphan. When one of our partner ministries, Loaves and Fishes, was able to help a kindergarten girl whose family had run out of money and was living in their car, your giving made a difference. Now that young girl is thriving in school.

OUR DREAMS FOR 2014
Our goal is to grow our mission budget to 15% of our overall operating budget by 2019. And it is a given that in 2014 the members and friends of Saint Andrews will continue to serve others through our existing relationships with our mission partners! Additionally next year, you will find more opportunities, more open doors, and more open hearts, welcoming your gifts of time, talent, treasure.

‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.’
Matthew 25:40
Clockwise from top left: Adult Mission Team to Haiti, Meals on Wheels, Sunday Sanctuary flowers on their way to someone who unable to attend worship, 5&2 Sunday School pack for Backpack Buddies, our Faith Crew, member Maureen Thomson in Albania with Teach America, children from Faith Ministries, and in the center, youth in Belize.
OUR HOUSE IS HOME TO MANY
Our facilities provide the physical foundation for all of our ministries. They are the tablet on which our story is written. Whether it is a properly functioning air handler, well-kept grounds, or a new sound system, the condition of our facilities impacts our mission and reflects to the community who we are and who we strive to be.

In addition to supporting our ministries of worship, education, fellowship, and care, our facilities are home to many in the community. We host our Preschool, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Alcoholics Anonymous, English lessons for refugees, fellowship space for other churches undergoing construction, Rotary scholarship presentations, a Bible study for mothers of a nearby school, and more. It is a rare night that our building is not in use!

HOW CAN WE PUT OUR BEST FOOT FORWARD?
We will spend wisely while supporting our ministries, and we will seek to...

- Focus on regular and preventative maintenance,
- Repair or replace broken/worn items,
- Implement cost effective ways to highlight our curb appeal,
- Schedule regular work days to keep up with ongoing landscaping and cleaning needs,
- Call upon our volunteer Faith Crew to help in areas that require significant expertise and time,
- Seek a faithful way to utilize the property behind us,
- Create an inviting atmosphere, both tangibly and intangibly, and
- Use our campus to invite anyone and everyone to know and experience the love of Christ.

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