

SAINT ANDREW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MESSENGER

OCTOBER 2009

Mission, Outreach + Support

Mission-emphasis Sunday, October 11

As part of the PC(USA) World Mission Challenge, 2009, St. Andrew will be hosting itinerating career missionaries to Indonesia, Bernie and Farsijana Adeney-Risakotta, at both services on October 11. They will share their message from the pulpit, participate in our Adult Education hour, enjoy a potluck following the 11:00 service with all interested St. Andrew members and friends, and meet with our youth during ETC that evening. They have a very special message to share about their mission in the heavily Muslim community of which they are a part.



Bernie Adeney-Risakotta came under appointment as a mission co-worker for the PC(USA) in 1991, and he has served continuously since then. Farsijana came under appointment in January of 2003.

Bernie is director of the Indonesian Consortium for Religious Studies (ICRS-Yogya) at Gadjah Mada University (UGM). Farsijana is director of the Center for Research and Community Development at Duta Wacana Christian University. Both Bernie and Farsijana spend a lot of time working together with Christians and Muslims to build a just society.

Bernie first visited Indonesia in 1972 and 1973 and fell in love with this beautiful country of 17,000 islands. In 1989 he visited again while on a sabbatical leave from teaching in Berkeley. Bernie felt called to work in Indonesia when a Christian university in Java invited him

to help them establish a graduate program in religion and society. Bernie returned, as a PC(USA) mission co-worker, in 1991, and worked for six years, helping establish a graduate program to study how Christianity, Islam, and other religions affect Indonesian society.

In 1997, Bernie married Farsijana and moved to Yogyakarta to serve as assistant director of the Graduate Program in Theology at Duta Wacana Christian University. In 2003, Bernie started teaching graduate courses at the State Islamic University and at Gadjah Mada University, the oldest and largest national university in Indonesia, which has 56,000 students, most of whom are Muslim. This experience led to the founding of ICRS-Yogya, which quickly became an internationally acclaimed, inter-religious program and is the only known cooperation of its kind, between secular, Muslim, and Christian universities.

In the late 1990s, Bernie and Farsijana built a home in an all-Muslim neighborhood that is at the same time a center for community outreach and hospitality. It is called "Pondok Tali Rasa." At any given moment they share it with several other people of both Muslim and Christian faith. Their house also serves as a center for the Indonesian Women's Coalition (KPI), which Farsijana leads in empowering women and serving the victims of natural disasters. Bernie and Farsijana are members of First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley as well as of the Christian Church of Java (GKJ) in Yogyakarta, Java. They have three adult children, Jennifer Marion, Rina, and Peter.

If you would like more information, please visit the St. Andrew [website](#).



Sabeel Conference, UNI, October 9 + 10

Several St. Andrew members and friends have participated in previous Sabeel Conferences and reported back to our congregation. Recognizing the importance of bringing peace and securing a just settlement to the Israeli and Palestinian conflict, MOS has designated scholarship funds to cover full registration at this conference for first-time participants to encourage attendance of St. Andrew and United Campus Ministry members and friends at the conference. Among the invited speakers is Rev. Fahed Abu-Akel, former Moderator, PC(USA), underscoring our Denomination's involvement and support of Sabeel. Information about the conference and registration is available at their website: www.sabeel.org.

Please contact Paul Heidger (paul-heidger@uiowa.edu) or Jean Gardner (jeanw@gardener.com), co-chairs of MOS, about scholarship aid.

Mission Opportunity for High School Seniors and College Students

Every three years, the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship organizes a mission conference targeted primarily toward college students. This year, they are also inviting high school seniors who are age 17 or older to participate. Held Dec. 27-31 in St. Louis, this conference has a number of different tracks for those interested in missions. If you would be interested in attending, but are concerned about the cost, please contact Andy Smothers at adsmothe@gmail.com or 319/594.1089 as the MOS Team considers making available scholarship money for St. Andrew members or active youth program participants. For additional information, please consult www.urbana09.org or contact Andy. Finally, to listen or view sessions from previous conferences, please consult www.urbana.org/archives.

SERVING CHRIST AND THE COMMUNITY FOR 50 YEARS

Our Focus: *Sharing the Community of Christ*

Our Mission: *To follow Jesus Christ • Grow in commitment • Cultivate our gifts
Reach out in mission • And bring others to Christ*

Community News + Events

Women's Retreat

The annual Women's Retreat is Feb. 5 and 6, 2010 at St. Andrew. Registration forms will be available by early January. Save the dates on your calendar and get ready for a time of renewal, rejuvenation, laughter, yummy food and great fellowship. If you have never attended, THIS is your year to come! Invite a friend—women do not need to be members of Saint Andrew to participate in the retreat. For more information, talk to Heather Woodin or e-mail heatherw@saintandrew-ic.org.

Flood relief work teams

Flood recovery work continues in Eastern Iowa, and Saint Andrew continues to serve as a hospitality site. We have two teams scheduled to stay with us in October:

- Thurs., Oct. 8, until Sunday, Oct. 11: 25 people. First Presbyterian Church, Shakopee, Minnesota
- Sun., Oct. 11, until Sat., Oct. 17: 15 people. Faith Lutheran Church, Valders, WI

The teams love to talk with Iowa residents, and they are eager to hear how we have responded to the 2008 flood. Feel free to stop by the

church any evening or morning while teams are here. Introduce yourself, ask them about their day, and encourage them to share their experiences with you.

Remember that the church is locked overnight while work teams are staying here. Also, while work teams are here, please respect the spaces set aside for their use: the sleeping rooms and lounge in the north hall, and the bump room.

We are grateful for those who have helped with meals, provided home-baked cookies and bars, and written welcome and thank-you notes for our visitors.

Serving Opportunities

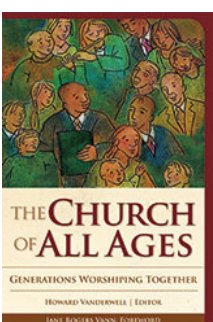
The School Clothing and Winter Outerwear Distribution will be held on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9 am to noon at Faith United Church of Christ and Community of Christ. A drop-off site at St. Andrew is located in the Narthex to collect new and gently used clothing appropriate for school from pre-school (including infant wear) through high school. Winter clothing such as sweaters, jackets, hats, scarves, mittens, boots for all ages and sizes are needed. All clothing should be clean and in good repair.

Volunteers are needed to help with the Winter Outerwear Distribution on Thursday late afternoon or evening, Oct. 15 for preliminary sorting of donations, Friday, Oct. 16 for set-up and display of the donations, and on Saturday morning, Oct. 17 for the distribution of the winter clothing. Exact times will be announced later. At this time it is probable that St. Andrew will be helping at both Faith UCC church and at Community of Christ. This is a important way to share our gifts and talents. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or by contacting Dedi Walker (dedi.walker@gmail.com or 319/351.1354).

Worship + Music

Intergenerational Worship

This summer Matthew Penning, Director of Music, received an invitation (one of roughly 30 from across the US and Canada) from the



Calvin Institute of Christian Worship to take part in a discussion forum on intergenerational worship. Ministry leaders from St. Andrew, First Presbyterian (Williamsburg), First Presbyterian (Marion) and One Ancient Hope Presbyterian (Iowa City)

will read a recently published book, *The Church of All Ages: Generations Worshiping Together*, edited by Howard Vanderwell, and discuss together the many challenges and rewards of intergenerational worship. The Institute's plan "is to deepen the discussion about intergenerational worship and to probe how truly intergenerational worship - week after

week - can call for a much deeper form of participation by participants of all ages". Check out the front page of the St. Andrew website to see summaries of our discussions. For more information on the book we will be using, go to: [The Church of All Ages](http://www.calvin.edu/worship/pub/all_ages_groups.php) (www.calvin.edu/worship/pub/all_ages_groups.php).

Music in Worship Calendar:

Sunday, Oct. 4:

8:30: Agape Singers, kingsringers
11:00: Logos Choir, Resound!
Jazz Band in Independence

Sunday, Oct. 11:

8:30: Logos Choir

Sunday, Oct. 18:

8:30: Logos Choir
11:00: Cantate Choristers,
Alpha + Omega Ringers

Sunday, Oct. 25:

8:30: Brass Ensemble, Matins Ringers
11:00: Logos Choir, Woodwind Ensemble

Sound Person Wanted

The worship team is looking for a volunteer to take on the responsibility of equipping those volunteers running the sound system on Sunday mornings. This person will be trained in all of the church's sound and video equipment. They will also be in charge of working with our current schedule coordinator to identify additional volunteers to lead this technical ministry. An ideal person for the role should be familiar with technology and have a heart for service. This position plays a key role in worship and once they have learned the system should be able to teach and mentor other people. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact James Hemsley at 319/351.4896 or by email at jmhemsley@gmail.com.

Worship + Music, continued

Flowers for Worship

You may have noticed that the 2010 Flower Chart is posted in the Narthex across from the church office. Please sign up to give flowers on the Sunday of your choice! Your flowers serve as a visible statement of our love for God and our personal involvement in his worship. The Chancel Guild of St. Andrew assists in the dual ministry of providing flowers for the Sanctuary on Sundays and reaching out to those at home who have needs or joys to share. The Chancel Guild will contact you when it is time for you to order your flower gift and the Deacons will deliver the Sunday flowers to members of the congregation who are hospitalized, bereaved, shut-in or rejoicing with new life in their family.

We are again asking St. Andrew families to participate in this dual ministry by donating the morning flowers in memory of a loved one, to say "Happy Birthday" or "Happy Anniversary", or to say "Thank You, Lord, for all of your blessings!"

Here is how you can participate:

1. Posted on the bulletin board is a sign-up poster for the year. Write your name and phone number beside the date of your choice.
2. A week before your donation date, a member of the Chancel Guild will call you to see if you want to donate flowers from your garden or to get your flower preference for a florist.

3. The morning of your offering, your dedication or sentiments will be in the bulletin (due in church office by 9 am Wednesday morning to 'make' the bulletin).

4. After the services, your flowers will be delivered by a deacon to a shut-in, someone who is hospitalized, etc. A card with a greeting from our St. Andrew family and copy of the Sunday's worship service bulletin will accompany the flowers.

The Chancel Guild is very grateful for your generosity and enthusiasm in this ongoing ministry.

Stephen Ministry

Pleas for Care

Jesus was speaking to a large crowd -- a crowd so large and so close, they were pressing upon him. The disciples of John the Baptist were questioning him. I imagine it was warm and uncomfortable; I imagine that Jesus felt busy.

First, Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue came and fell at Jesus' feet pleading for Jesus to come to his house to heal his daughter; it seemed she was close to death. Then - in the middle of Jairus' request, a woman touches Jesus' cloak; she had been struggling with a bleeding disorder for twelve years - perhaps quite fortunate to still be alive. She thought that only if she could touch the cloak of our

Healer, she could be healed. Jesus felt his power escape and asked who it was that touched him.

Jesus could have ignored the pleas for help, but he didn't. Our Savior stopped his teaching to learn who had touched him. She was healed because of her faith. He stopped teaching to walk to the home of Jairus. There was an assembly of people there, too, wailing because they knew the child was dead. They laughed at Jesus when Jesus claimed she was only asleep. He could have felt ridiculed; he could have left. He didn't. He called for the child to "get up!" She did.

Jesus seems always in the moment - always ready to adjust his plans for the world that

confronts him. Are there people in your life calling for care? Can you spare them a moment to discuss their loss, their concerns, or their pain?

Are you in need of care? Stephen Ministers complete a fifty hour training program on many topics; further instruction is provided through monthly continuing education. If you think this support would be helpful to you or someone you know, please contact Gail Hockom (319/338.9220, thockom@aol.com), Bill Ford (319/354.1834, wdford@mchsi.com), or Pastor Kyle Otterbein (319/338.7523, revkyle@saintandrew-ic.org). Brochures are also available in the Narthex.

Prayer Ministry

Recently I experienced the de-consecration of the church of my youth and young adulthood. I prayed that the sadness I felt would somehow be lifted. I turned to Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 seeking comfort and resolution. As I read the verses it occurred to me that there are prayers embedded within those verses:

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven.

Father, help us to take notice of the seasons of our lives and to seek your purpose.

A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted.

We pray for safe births and, in the fullness of time, a gentle passage into your loving arms. Help us to sow in earnest the seeds you would have us plant, and then in time, take in the bounty you provide for us with thanksgiving.

A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up;

Help us, Father, to destroy and cast out our wickedness. We seek your healing for us physically and spiritually that we may also minister to the needs of others. We ask your help in repairing and building the foundations of our faith. To you, God, be the glory!

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance;

Help us as we experience the sorrow of the night to know that because of your abiding love for us we will dance in the morning. In your love we experience life in its fullness.

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing;

Father, help us always to be faithful in our marriages and families, that in so doing we

recognize the faithfulness of your love for us. We embrace you, Lord, striving to keep your grace in Christ always before us.

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away.

Father, help us to remember that in life there are times of gain and times of loss. Help us to know when to work for wealth and when to accept the loss and to go forward in faith.

A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silent, and a time to speak;

We pray for the wisdom to know when to hold our tongues and when to speak out in courage for what is right and just.

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

Help us, Father, to always seek your guidance as we deal with the changing times and seasons of our lives. Amen.

-submitted by Jane Boyd

Children's Ministries

Sunday School

Sunday School is off to a great start this year. Here's a recap of what has been happening since we started Sept. 13:

- Caterpillars (2-and 3-year-olds), Butterflies (4-and 5-year-olds) and Kindergartners are meeting in the East Wing, just like last year. The three classes gather together for music for a few minutes each Sunday.
- 1-6 grade are meeting in Fellowship Hall. The students move through "rotation stations" for hands-on learning about specific topics. For the first three weeks, we focused on creation. In October, the topic is Joseph and his brothers. We follow a curriculum called *Spark*, published by Augsburg Fortress.
- 7 and 8 grade are meeting in the North Wing. The two classes teamed up for the first three weeks under the leadership of Pastor Kyle.
- High school students have adopted a new name: Senior High Learning Experience. They are following a Presbyterian Bible study curriculum called *Real Faith, Real Life*, led by Randy Hausler. The first study, lasting 6 weeks, focuses on the *Matrix* movies and invites students to reflect on the characters and scenes from the movies as they relate to biblical text and excerpts from Reformed statements of faith.

We can always use good leaders! To serve as a Sunday School leader, talk to Heather Woodin or Kristen DeGrazia for specifics about each grade.

Confirmation

Eighth-grade students are invited and encouraged to participate in the confirmation Sunday School class. Confirmands meet from 9:45 to 10:45 am each Sunday in the North Hall. The confirmation process helps students think about when they will profess their Christian faith as a public act. Confirmation is an opportunity to prepare young people to stand along-

side the adults of the church in a responsible, public commitment to Jesus Christ and to live out the Christian faith in their daily lives. For more details, talk to Heather Woodin or Pastor Kyle.

Joy Club

Joy Club, for children in Kindergarten - 2 grade, begins Monday, Oct. 5, from 3:30 to 5 pm. We start in October to give children time to get back into the school routine before we add this after-school program to their schedules.

The more leaders we have at Joy Club, the more attention we can give to each child. If your child is attending, please consider serving as a leader. No special training, experience or background is needed—just a desire to share Christ's love with our children. Childcare is provided for babies and preschoolers of Joy Club leaders.

Lighthouse

Where's the best place to be on a Tuesday night? Lighthouse, of course—and what a busy place it is! Kids in 3-6 grade are diving into fun and challenging projects this year. We started with the story of creation in September. In October, we'll have a month-long celebration of World Communion Sunday. Students will break into groups and study living conditions and culture in various regions of the world, then use refrigerator boxes and other recycled supplies to build models of homes, worship centers, or other structures to represent those regions. We'll host an open house on Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, for parents and the congregation to tour our international village.

Mark your calendar for more fun: Late Night at the Lighthouse is Oct. 23. Spend the evening with us, or stay all night and sleep at the church! All kids in 3-6 grade are welcome to join us - every week or as your schedule allows.

Children's Messages

Several members of our congregation and staff take turns presenting the Children's Messages during Sunday worship services. One of our goals is to teach children that we have many leaders and teachers in our congregation, all of whom have wonderful words and lessons to share. If you would like to present a Children's Message occasionally, contact Heather Woodin, heatherw@saintandrew-ic.org.

The Shoebox Project

Start saving your shoeboxes--Saint Andrew will again participate in Operation Christmas Child (The Shoebox Project) this fall. This international mission project, organized by Samaritan's Purse of Boone, North Carolina, allows individuals, families, churches and schools to participate in a hands-on project that reaches children around the world. Participants fill an empty shoebox with small gifts for a child, plus \$10 for shipping. Samaritan's Purse distributes the boxes and Christian literature to more than 2 million children in more than 55 countries. For many, the shoebox is their only gift.

Gift ideas include small toys (dolls, balls, stuffed animals, yo-yos), school supplies (pencils and sharpener, markers, coloring books, crayons, paper), hygiene items (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb, soap, washcloth), other items (hard candy, lollipops, sunglasses, socks, t-shirts, hairclips, caps). Brochures will be distributed in Sunday School and will be available at the Welcome Center this fall. This is your opportunity to send a box of Christian love and caring to children around the world.

Presbyterian + United Campus Ministries

Celebrating Outcomes

St. Andrew has been supporting the work of Presbyterian + United Campus Ministry directly since 2003. During that time many students have studied at the University of Iowa and moved on. I would like to lift up for celebration two Peer Minister students who have progressed into new fields of ministry since this summer.

Brian Diebold was a University of Iowa award-winning religion major, a Peer Minister who thoughtfully addressed students' questions online, and a regular attendee at St. Andrew. In

May, Brian graduated from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and has since been called to serve as a part-time pastor for a small church near Pittsburgh and as a half-time youth pastor in a church in Pittsburgh. Brian will be ordained on Sunday, Sept. 25 in Ottumwa, Iowa. We at St. Andrew can rejoice with him and his family for his continuing ministry.

Emmy Hix was a theater arts and religion major at UI. For Presbyterian & United Campus Ministry she developed movie nights, participated in the strategic planning process, engaged in Bible studies and Peer Minister meetings. In

addition, Emmy led drama and liturgical dance workshops for the Presbytery of East Iowa. While contemplating her future role, she decided to serve for a year as a Long Term Volunteer in missions for the Presbyterian Church (USA) in which she worked with a children's drama ministry in Miami all of last year. She recently took a position at a Miami Presbyterian church as the Director of Children's Ministry.

God is developing the next generation to be engaged in ministry. Praise the Lord!

-Submitted by Nancy Olthoff

Small Groups

The St. Andrew Women's Book Group

meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. Visitors/new members are always welcome. On Oct. 14 we will discuss *Big Stone Gap* by Adriana Trigiani. Please contact Susie Pappas (319/338.0692 or susiepappas@hotmail.com) for more information.

Sewing for Others

Sewing for Others (SFO) is made up of a group of people who get together the first Friday of every month in Fellowship Hall to do sewing-related projects for missions around the world. We sort donated material, cut dresses, shorts or quilt squares, assemble quilt kits, make wheelchair bags and walker bags, and package sewing projects the group's members have completed at home. We have a good time together. The group started in the fall of 2003 and at the present time we have sent completed sewing projects to locations in these countries:

Haiti: HAFF mission base and an orphanage, La Gonave (an island off coast of Haiti)

Jerusalem: several times to an orphanage

Brazil: several times and places connected with Ceara Presbytery.

Ghana: connections with Wheels for the World
Zambia, Peru + Moldova

We have made, packaged and sent:

- 1475 dresses (each with 2 pairs of under panties)
- 116 crop top/shorts sets
- 694 boy's shorts and long pants (each with a t-shirt)
- 487 quilt kits – for the women of these countries to sew
- 250 baby blankets
- 228 wheelchair bags
- 36 walker bags
- 30 Quilts – given locally to Habitat, Shelter House, DVIP and Four Oaks Youth Shelter

Many of you have been involved in helping our group by donating material and sewing supplies, sewing our projects, cutting and sorting quilt squares, packaging the dresses and shorts we make, buying the under clothing and some have given monetary gifts which have purchased

many supplies for us. The Men's Group and MOS have also helped finance our on-going expense needs. We thank you!

This has been an exciting ministry and we invite you to come join us on the first Friday of each month (not July or August), 9:00-11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. You don't have to be a sewer to join in the fun. God has blessed this ministry beyond our wildest expectations and we are truly grateful and honored to serve him in this way. Join us!

Expansion Timeline Team Update

On September 15, 2009 Jeff Maxwell accepted the terms of a contract amendment entitled the **Third Amendment to Offer to Buy**.

As previously announced in the *Mini-Messenger*, the Aug. 15 contingency release date in the contract to sell the current church property to Jeff Maxwell, the potential buyer of this property, was extended twice, first to Aug. 31, and then to Sept. 15. These two short-term extensions took place to allow Session time to consider Maxwell's larger request, which was to amend the contract by extending his rezoning contingency release date by one year to August 15, 2010. In exchange for granting that concession, it was the majority opinion among ETT members to work to negotiate more favorable terms for SAPC, including:

- 1) Changing *our* contingency release date for congregational and Presbytery approval from 1.15.10 to 1.15.13 (with the

plan to hold a congregational vote by 11.15.12).

- 2) Considering this one-year extension of Maxwell's rezoning as a one-year option rather than just an amendment. The effect would be that the current \$50k in escrow becomes non-refundable and transferred to the church free and clear of the agreement as compensation for the one-year extension. The actual transfer of funds would not occur until 1.31.10, although it becomes non-refundable and begins accruing interest as of the date this proposed Third Amendment is signed. The payment would not be applied to the purchase price.
- 3) Requiring that another \$50k be placed in escrow by 1.31.10 as earnest money to be applied to the purchase price, and only refundable to Maxwell if he satisfies or waives all of his contingencies, but SAPC fails to satisfy its contingencies (i.e. SAPC votes no, or yes by too small a margin).

At a special meeting on Sept. 10, Session ultimately decided (by way of a majority vote) that it was only willing to grant this one-year extension if Maxwell accepted all of the ETT's recommended changes, plus one additional amendment; to re-instate SAPC's ability to actively market and negotiate with other potential buyers. This would allow SAPC the opportunity to gauge the post-flood value of our property (by appraisal) and to negotiate a back-up offer for the possibility that the current agreement with Maxwell is not completed.

On Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009, the St. Andrew counter proposal for the amendment was presented to Maxwell. On Tues., Sept. 15, ETT was notified that the amendment had been accepted and signed by Maxwell. On this same date, Brad Baldes, as president of SAPC, signed the amendment on behalf of the church.

Our Church Family

Births

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. -Psalm 139:14

Elsa Bryn - 9.08.09

(Dayna Groskretz + David Basel + Hannah)

Deaths

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. -Matthew 5:4

Mel Boggs - 5.17.09

(husband of Aileen Boggs)

Cards may be sent to: 3524 Grand Ave. #305

Des Moines, IA 50312

Our condolences to the Schmidt family for the deaths of two family members this past week: Paul Miller and Reinhardt Kalkwarf.

Wedding Invitation

Michelle Norman and Michelle Wikner, along with their children Anna and Eva, invite you to attend their wedding on Saturday, October 17 at 2 pm. The ceremony will take place at First Presbyterian Church in Iowa City with a reception to follow in their fellowship hall. Please RSVP to Amy Nicholson at 319/354.6327.

Reconciliation Team

On August 20 the Session approved the ministry of the St. Andrew Reconciliation Team. The Reconciliation Team seeks to be a bridge to facilitate the healing process of the St. Andrew congregation that has been fractured by the process of purchasing of the Camp Cardinal Road property and the proposed agreement entered into to sell the Melrose Avenue property.

While striving to refrain from dwelling on past grievances, the Reconciliation Team seeks to be a vehicle to open dialogue among all members of the St. Andrew congregation in order to facilitate the healing of wounds and begin building greater unity of purpose and mission.

This fall the Reconciliation Team is developing plans to hold several large and small group gatherings that will provide listening and discussion opportunities. The team will also try to create concrete proposals to build a deeper sense of Christian community, trust and respect among the members, friends, leaders and staff of St. Andrew.

- *What do you see as the issues facing St. Andrew related to these matters?*
- *How have these issues affected you?*
- *How do you think these issues have affected the church?*
- *What suggestions do you have to facilitate the building of bridges to reunify community and create a common mission?*

Leave your comments at the Welcome Center or mail them to the Reconciliation Team c/o St. Andrew Presbyterian Church.

A full description of the rationale and purpose of the St. Andrew Reconciliation Team is available at www.saintandrew-ic.org.

Reconciliation Team:

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Stewardship

Stewardship Ministry

St. Andrew established a new Stewardship Team this summer. Our core belief is that stewardship is a ministry. One that ministers to the givers. One that grows giver's hearts and encourages spiritual growth as a necessary part of giving. One that helps the giver find deep meaning in the act of giving. One where the side benefit is that it funds the church.

At St. Andrew, we have a high capacity for ministry. Ministries that spread and give meaning to the word of God are evidenced through our worship, youth activities, music, small

groups, and through outreach and support to others. On the other hand, we cringe about the money. Yet when we focus on stewardship as a ministry – on how the act of giving can impact the giver's heart and faith - the deeper meaning is felt. This is not 'church-speak' nor a tactic or calculated strategy. It is a ministry. And when we talk about it in this way, there is no cringing. We are excited because we believe we have it within ourselves as a Congregation to understand and embrace this understanding of stewardship. Stewardship as a ministry changes everything! And so in the coming weeks, as we share with you details of

this fall's pledge drive, and move toward our stewardship kick-off on Sun. Oct. 18, we look forward to this ministry of supporting and encouraging you in the spiritual discipline of generosity.

Thank you.

St. Andrew Stewardship Team
Cindy Kasper, Sheila Baldwin,
Kathi Anderson, Debbie Dreusicke,
John Benson, Bob Lamkins,
David Bluder, Pastor Bob David

Income and Expense Statement (UNAUDITED)

GENERAL FUND 01, August 2009

	Current Period	Year to Date	Annual Budget	Annual Budget %	Budget Difference
INCOME					
PLEDGES & IDENTIFIED GIFT	\$65,745.17	\$579,590.91	\$990,400.00	58.52%	-\$410,809.09
CAMPUS MINISTRY GRANTS	2,416.67	22,833.36	37,000.00	61.71%	-14,166.64
FACILITIES/OFFICE INCOME	235.00	5,340.00	6,000.00	89.00%	-660.00
INVESTMENT INCOME	78.08	920.15	1,200.00	76.68%	-279.85
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	0.00	186.92	750.00	24.92%	-563.08
TOTAL INCOME	68,474.92	608,871.34	1,035,350.00	58.81%	-426,478.66
EXPENSES					
BUDGETED EXPENSES					
LAND	\$0.00	\$2,249.98	\$6,300.00	35.71%	-\$4,050.02
BUILDING	9,379.18	58,451.26	93,000.00	62.85%	-34,548.74
UTILITIES	1,540.46	17,294.84	30,800.00	56.15%	-13,505.16
EQUIPMENT, F & F	-10.00	18.58	1,250.00	1.49%	-1,231.42
VEHICLES	378.50	1,820.36	6,551.00	27.79%	-4,730.64
CAMPUS MINISTRY	29.11	1,698.87	5,000.00	33.98%	-3,301.13
CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES	544.27	2,641.01	8,400.00	31.44%	-5,758.99
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	75.09	1,112.27	1,450.00	76.71%	-337.73
MINISTRIES - CARE/SUPPORT	-1,327.16	-1,018.19	1,500.00	-67.88%	-2,518.19
MEMBERSHIP/EVANGELISM	39.60	1,352.87	6,475.00	20.89%	-5,122.13
MISSION	9,312.59	82,726.15	140,556.00	58.86%	-57,829.85
MUSIC	869.70	4,495.02	13,100.00	34.31%	-8,604.98
OFFICE EXPENSE	1,381.74	14,120.68	29,775.00	47.42%	-15,654.32
OPERATING EXPENSES	3,827.64	31,325.61	54,847.00	57.11%	-23,521.39
PERSONNEL	47,469.85	399,629.32	618,236.00	64.64%	-218,606.68
WORSHIP	-18.50	3,022.95	6,225.00	48.56%	-3,202.05
YOUTH MINISTRIES	1,026.80	4,885.90	11,885.00	41.11%	-6,999.10
TOTAL EXPENSES	74,518.87	625,827.48	1,035,350.00	60.45%	-409,522.52
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	-\$6,043.95	-\$16,956.14	\$0.00	0.00%	-\$16,956.14

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