



The Messenger



Doorstep

Happy Fall Y'all! ☺

Doorstep is beginning to plan how we will operate our Christmas Store this year. We will still adopt 260 households with 800+ individuals from the Christmas Bureau as we do every year. How distribution will be handled is being planned, and we will update our member congregations once we know the details.

We are now through the first quarter of our 55th Anniversary year, and donations for the 55th Anniversary Fund to replace our HVAC have brought in over \$31,000 so far. We feel incredibly blessed to have received this amount! We need at least another \$129,000 to replace the HVAC system which is 60+ years old. Anything over the HVAC amount will go to help more of our neighbors in need with basic needs such as rent and utility assistance. We are asking our supporters to donate a minimum of \$55 per person towards our 55th Anniversary Fund.

Please consider making your donation to Doorstep. You can mail donations to: Doorstep, Inc., 1119 SW 10th Ave, Topeka, Ks 66604. You can also donate through PayPal on our website: www.DoorstepTopeka.org under the Donate tab, note the anniversary fund with your donation

Aggie O'Neill Celebrates her 85th



Many family and friends gathered for a surprise birthday party for Aggie's 85th birthday



following worship on September 19th. Her birthday was on September 7th. Homemade ice cream, decorated cookies and cakes were provided by the family, making for a great celebration. We wish you many more Happy Birthdays, Aggie.



Ladies of St Andrews

Lunch time again, October 15, Friday, at 1:00 p.m. at Blue Moose Grill, 3030 Wanamaker. We will be celebrating Kathy Mitchell's birthday. Bring a card. Please call Helen or Millie by October 10th to make reservations.

Hope to see you all there.

Helen – 271-9891

Millie – 408-1414



Church Sale Update



The total from our sale as of this writing has now reached \$4,143.55! Of that, about \$1,700 is from our in-person sale and the rest is from Marketplace and eBay online sales. Thank you to all who donated items and those who helped before, during and after the sale (Jan Rice, Rod Elder, Betty DeShazer, Charles Franks, Don Marker, Linda Ozaki, Sharon McDaniels, Bill DeShazer, and Susan William). I am still selling some collectible items and books online. If you have something that you think may sell online and would like to donate it to the church, please let me know. Online sales take time for the “right buyer” to come along but if you have patience, they can make a difference.

Many of the items at our in-person sale were priced under \$1 which allowed quite a few families and individuals to leave with large baskets and boxes full of treasures because they were affordable and big smiles. Several returned multiple times. When I list items online, I always mention that they benefit St. Andrews. One eBay online buyer took the time to message me and let me know that, not only was she thrilled with her newly received collectible glass strawberry but wished us “good luck with our fundraising”!

Your unneeded items have made a difference for many others as well as our church. Thank you!

Stephanie Reynolds

A graphic with the words "Thank you" written in a large, elegant, black cursive script.

To Our Dear St. Andrews Family

Thank you for your cards, letters and calls offering your sympathy and support on the occasion of Karl’s passing.

There are no words to express my deep feelings of love for all of you. I am heartbroken and lonely, but I am grateful too that my husband of 66 years is no longer suffering. I want to share with you a writing sent to me from our niece, the daughter of Karl’s brother:

If You Could See Me Now

Our prayers have all be answered
I finally arrived.
The healing that had been delayed
Has now been realized.
No one's in a hurry
There's no schedule to keep.
We're all enjoying Jesus
Just sitting at His feet.

If you could see me now
I'm walking streets of gold;
If you could see me now
I'm standing tall and whole.
If you could see me now
You'd know I've seen see His face.
If you could see me now
You'd know the pain is erased.

You wouldn't want me
To ever leave this place.
If you could only see me now.

Though we've had our sorrows
They can never compare;
What Jesus has in store for us
No language can share.

You wouldn't want me
To ever leave this perfect place
If you could only see me now.

Love to All
Dolores Wilmers

There was never an obituary for Karl available here locally. The following is the one written by Rev. Mike Youngblood, who officiated at Karl's service. We have a copy of the message from his service, also. If anyone would like a copy, please let the church office know.

Karl Julian Wilmers, 89, of Peoria, Arizona, passed away August 28, 2021. He was born in Calumet, Michigan on January 13, 1932, to Walter and Hulda (Hammary) Wilmers. A graduate of Calumet High School, he joined the USAF in 1953, and was stationed at Forbes Air Force Base in Topeka, Kansas, where he met his future wife, Dolores Irene (Wichman) Wilmers. After a tour in Korea, he and Dolores were married in Topeka, where they settled after his discharge. They had three children, Darrick (Janell), Lori (Mike), and Wesley (Tammy). Also surviving are grandchildren Misty, Nathan, Jacob, Courtney, Dalton, Taryn, and Connor; and great-grandchildren Zackary and Katelyn; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Karl was employed for 13 years by the US Post Office, then by the State of Kansas, teaching computer programming, until his retirement. He was a member of the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church of Topeka for over 60 years, where he served as elder, deacon, Sunday School teacher, and choir member.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Andrews Presbyterian Church.

October 2020 LECTIONARY READINGS

October 3, Proper 22-Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Psalm 26; Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

October 10, Proper 23-Job 23:1-9; 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 17, Proper 24-Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 24, Proper 25-Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22); Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

October 31, Proper 26-Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146; Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34



World Communion will be on October 3rd. The Peacemaking offering will be received on this day.

October Birthdays



Gail Estes, October 2nd

Rita Kelly, October 12th

Kathy Mitchell, October 15th

Tad Estes, October 19th

Rod Elder, October 25th

Charles Franks, October 28th

Claudia Hamer, October 29th

Don and Suzie Marker October 17, 1959

Norman and Janet Schiesser October 28, 1961



Caring for our Members and Friend



Keep these folks in your prayers:

Richmond and Sharon McDaniels and family; Virginia Moore, Gail Estes,

Dolores Wilmers, Mary Ottiwell, Kathy Fuller, Mary Jane and Junior Elder, Norm Schiesser, Rita Kelly, Cheryl Kelly, Ezra, Kenny Lierz, Kaylin and Dana McDaniels, Ainsley Jones,

Andy O'Neill, Paulette Schrock, Francene Beall; Lori Doty-Miller, Rev. Mike Kuner; Millie Blodgett.

Remember all those who serve -our active duty and veteran personnel, firefighters, EMTs, police officers, and medical personnel who continue to serve, the hungry and the homeless.

Pray for peace and calm for our nation and our community. Keep in your prayers those who are suffering from the devastation of fires, floods, hurricanes and earthquakes.

Pray for our government officials on the national and local level that they may govern and serve the people with wisdom and concern for all.

SESSION



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

September 20, 202

Present: Claudia Hamer, Matthew Reynolds, Stephanie Reynolds, Jan Rice, Diann Deuser, Sharon McDaniels, Betty DeShazer, Charles Franks, Bill DeShazer, Linda Ozaki

Absent: Janet Schiesser, Jo Ann Miller

[P] Session Moderator- Rev. Dr. Stacey Shaffer Jones

[P] Clerk of Session-Bill DeShazer

[P] Treasurer-Stephanie Reynolds

Balance in checking 8/31/2021 - \$23,071.81

Memorial Fund - \$417.30

General fund pledge income in August- \$3,474.00. General fund non-pledge income - \$3,660.00. Loose offering - \$216.00.

Total current income in August -\$7,788.86; total current expenses -\$4,649.73

For year to date through August, current income is \$52,044.32; current expenses - \$48,145.31.

Garage sale income-close to \$3,800.00 which includes items Stephanie has sold on Ebay and Marketplace.

Pledge card info will be out soon. Requesting pledge cards to be returned by October 11th.

There will be a change in the way we do the Peace of Christ in worship. We will not be doing physical contact.

Bid has been received from a roofer to fix the current leaks we have and to reseal the screws that are coming loose in the roof.

Congregational meeting will be scheduled to present the new slate of church officers . Proposal will be to reduce number of session members to nine.

Continue to support Doorstep and Rescue Mission. Doorstep's annual 5K walk/run will be on October 3rd at Shawnee Lake.

. Next Communion will be on October 3rd, World Communion Sunday.

◀ September		October 2021					November ▶	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
					1	2 Gail Estes, B'day		
3 World Communion Peace Offering Dana McDaniels B'day	4	5	6	7	8	9		
10	11	12 Rita Kelly, B'day	13	14	15 1:00-Lunch Bunch Blue Moose Grill Kathy Mitchell B'day	16		
17 Session following Worship Don and Suzie Marker -Anniv.	18	19 9:00-Presbytery Mtg. by Zoom Tad Estes B'day	20	21	22	23		
24	25 Rod Elder-B'day	26	27	28 Norm & Jan Schiesser-Anniv. Charles Franks B'day	29 Claudia Hamer B'day	30		
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**WELCOME TO
SAINT ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Worship 11:00 a.m.

World Communion, October 3rd

