

An Invitation from Shelley & Diane

The January mini-semester "Stories of Faith" class begins this Sunday at 9:50am in the Fellowship Hall. The title is pretty straight-forward, but you may ask yourself, why would I take four Sundays to come to a class simply to talk about faith? Some of you may recall recently - or not so recently - sharing the story of your faith as part of the new member class to join Saint Andrews. Perhaps with that frame of reference, you may feel you don't need to do it all again. If you are old enough, like I am, and have been around the church and spirituality long enough, you might be feeling really smug about this.

So let me say a bit more about what the "Stories of Faith" class can offer you. We will hear and discuss some of the great stories of the Bible. We will be, at times, deliberately theological (sounds scary, but even I understand the book Diane lent me in preparation for this class!). As we reflect, perhaps digging deeper to find what our own theology - again, scary - has been for us, we move to a place where we feel growth on our journey. We may discover that we have an evolving story, full of potential. As life has given us the opportunity to grow from pain and joy and many circumstances, so has our faith in Jesus Christ.

Diane and I invite you to try coming to our class. It will be simple and fun; and there is no requirement to do anything, share anything. It will be a wonderful opportunity to reflect and grow!

Shelley Kane

un-decorate!

We invite you to come help us un-decorate the church this evening at 7pm. No need to RSVP, just meet us in the narthex! We know many hands will make light work – and the decorations come down so much quicker than they go up! Thank you in advance for your help.

recent offerings received

Thank you for your generosity!
Christmas Joy offering - \$1,438

Love Offering, received
Christmas Eve – \$4,716.91

Alternative Gift Catalog (a year-round opportunity for giving) – over \$8,000, of which 100% goes to the ministries designated.

ANNUAL LAF CHILI SALE

Orders will be taken in our narthex for meat and veggie chili on January 8 and 16. The chili is \$10/quart; all sales benefit Loaves & Fishes ministry.

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, February 25th from 2-4pm is our next Ladies' Tea! Dress up and share in some feminine fun and fellowship as we sip our tea and enjoy delicious snacks. We will have special activities just for the "little women" this year, and a great entertainment program for everyone to enjoy. This event is open to ladies age 4 and older. Bring all the special ladies in your life!

PLEASE NOTE

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 16 in recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

We're back on track this Sunday with our two regular worship offerings at 9am and 11am, with communion offered at both services. In addition, we invite you to join us for Sunday School for children, youth, and adults.

Children's Choirs resume Sunday, January 15th; there is no rehearsal this Sunday, January 8th.

Loving caregiver needed! Children's Ministry is looking for someone to be a back-up to their Sunday nursery caregivers, as well as helping with childcare for mid-week and special Sunday evening offerings. This paid position has hours that vary, but such a loving group of children (infant through 5th grade); if interested in this opportunity, email [Ann Wright](mailto:Ann.Wright@sapc.com). Please note a background check is required.

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Need Pastoral Care? The number to call is 919-740-6038. In addition, our Prayer Team meets Wednesdays at 11:30am at the church.