

# May 2010

Remember those who have served on Memorial Day  
The legacy of heroes is the memory of a great name and the inheritance of a great example." ~Benjamin Disraeli

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 May Friendship Day
2 Communion First Sunday Coffee	3 Board of Trustees 5:30 p.m.	4 Bible Study 9 a.m. Membership & Welcome 5:30 p.m.	5 Children's Choir 5 p.m. Handbells 5 p.m. Choir 6 p.m. Undercurrent 6:30 p.m.	6 National Day of Prayer	7 Parent's Night Out 6 - 9 p.m.	8
9 Mother's Day	10 Casserole Ministry 3 p.m.	11 St. Andrew Men 9 a.m. Bible Study 9 a.m. Finance Com. 5:30 p.m.	12 Ed. Com. 4 p.m. Children's Choir 5 p.m. Handbells 5 p.m. Choir 6 p.m. Undercurrent 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15
16 Senior Sunday	17	18 Bible Study 9 a.m. Gulf Shores Graduation	19 Children's Choir 5 p.m. Handbells 5 p.m. Choir 6 p.m. Undercurrent 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22
23 Pentecost	24	25 Bible Study 9 a.m. Board Meeting 5 p.m.	26 Handbells 5 p.m. Choir 6 p.m. Undercurrent 6:30 p.m.	27	28	29
30 Trinity Sunday	31 Memorial Day Office Closed					

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# The Wave

May 2010

*St. Andrew by the Sea, A Community Church* - Gulf Shores, AL

## From the Pastor...

Welcome! Welcome everyone to the Easter Season. So glad you could make it. What a joy to see you!

The storms have passed, the gray clouds are gone, and all I see is the beautiful blue of sky. The light is bright with spring and the air pure. Lift your arms, close your eyes, and take a deep breath.

Spring is the season of new life, as with the Christian liturgical season of Easter. Both are about life resurrected, and together they remind us of the truth that life never dies. It changes, evolves, moves, hides and reveals its secrets, but it never dies. It rises to its, or God's ultimate goal.

Spring and Easter remind us of God's great experiment, life; everything we see, including you and me. God is the author and creator. From him we come, and to him we shall return. As the Genesis writers remind us: In the beginning, God...

One could also speculate: "In the end, God..., but there is no end in God, only new beginnings. Dietrich Bonhoeffer's last words come to mind: *This is the end, but for me the beginning of life.*

*Robert*

**To All Members of St. Andrew by the Sea:**

In Re: Update on Alternative Mortgage Proposal

During the January 17, 2010 Congregational Meeting, a motion passed giving the current committee the approval to proceed working on an alternative mortgage which would give church members the opportunity to refinance the present \$1,000,000 mortgage and receive interest on their investment. During further investigation, it was discovered that in 2002, Congress passed the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, which now applies to all churches and other religious organizations by making them subject to the anti-fraud provisions of federal securities laws; and they can now be sued by private investors. All notes over 9 months duration must be registered with the state and sold by licensed securities brokers. The information discussed during the Congregational Meeting no longer applies, as the terms of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act were not recognized at that time.

We are presently pursuing all avenues of Church financing. We have been in contact with the firm who is currently structuring a Church Bond for the Gulf Shores United Methodist Church and are holding informative talks with them. We will also be talking with other banks in the area who have expressed an interest in working with St. Andrew. Just as soon as the committee has one or more totally defined and thoroughly investigated proposals to bring to the Congregation, a letter will be sent to all members with details and the date of a Congregational Meeting to be called to discuss the matter.

For the Board  
Bubba Lee, Treasurer

**First Sunday Lemonade:** The Membership and Welcome committee would like to invite **everyone** to join them Sunday, May 3rd following the worship service for lemonade outside the front entrance. Please have a glass of lemonade, and visit for a while.

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 \* **St Andrew Children's Choir** will \*  
 \* sing on Mother's Day, Sunday, May \*  
 \* 9th. \*  
 \* We have also begun work on a mu- \*  
 \* sical, "A Table For Five . . . \*  
 \* Thousand!" to be presented in \*  
 \* the Fall. **All children four yrs and \*  
 \* older are invited to participate.** \*  
 \* Rehearsals will continue on \*  
 \* Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. until May \*  
 \* 19th, when we will break for the \*  
 \* summer. We will resume in August. \*  
 \* Our Thanks to all who support and \*  
 \* encourage this ministry. Jo Roy & \*  
 \* Ann Wright. \*  
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**St Andrew Women casserole ministry** will be cooking May 10th at 3 p.m. under the leadership of Lynda Thurman. Please contact Lynda at [jazzlvr@gulfnet.com](mailto:jazzlvr@gulfnet.com) or 540-7826.

**Sunday** - Join us on May 16th as we recognize our Seniors, Cody Rhodes and Marcus Tino.

**Congratulations Seniors**  
 Cody Rhodes and Marcus Tino.  
 "I believe in you, Everything you are, Everything you are becoming. So spread your wings and fly, On the winds of knowing, I will always believe in you . . . Now this is where we stay, While you go change the world, But I'll be where I have always been, Up in the stands cheering you on . . . I believe in you."  
 Steven Curtis Chapman

Remember our St. Andrew Traveler's who are departing for their tour of Ireland on May 9th. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe journey.

**Memorials**  
*Elaine M. Klinske*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Wade Ward  
*Sue C. Brizius*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Robinson  
 Ms. Sharon Elder  
 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ramm  
*Ken Messer*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Wade Ward  
 Mr. & Mrs. Carlton Garner  
*Jean Westine*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Wallace  
*Wilma Alpha*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Barefield

**Children, Youth & Young Adults! Summer - Bration! COOKOUT**

**Come join us for a day of fun!**  
 Gulf State Park Cookout - (Lake Shelby)  
 Saturday, June 5th, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

We will eat lunch at noon. Please bring a side dish or a dessert. Bring your fishing pole (if you would like), your swimsuit & towel and of course sunscreen! Come, play and just hangout with friends!  
 Let's celebrate the beginning of summer together! In case of inclement weather, we will move the cookout to the Henderson's house. Call or email Jonathan if you have any questions.



**Thank you St. Andrew Travelers** for your generosity with giving your travelers rebate to the St. Andrew general fund.

**Dear St. Andrew Family,**  
 On behalf of the 174 people with intellectual disabilities living at Partlow, I want to thank the members of St. Andrew by the Sea for their WONDERFUL contribution of \$375 for use in purchasing supplies. Please express to everyone our utmost appreciation for their thoughtfulness. Our teachers were thrilled!  
 May God bless everyone now and throughout 2010.

Sincerely, **Regina Poole** Secretary/  
 Treasurer of Patrons of Partlow

**Dear Church Congregation,**  
 Thank you for your donation of \$200 to the Baldwin Co. Sheriff's Boys Ranch. We could not care for the boys that come to live at the Ranch without the support of generous people of our community such as you. The boys come from many different circumstances that they have no control over, but all come with a need to be loved and cared for. You are an encouragement to the boys and the staff by your interest and generosity.  
 It is through the generosity of people like you that help us keep our program going. Let me extend an open invitation to come and visit the Ranch; meet the children and the loving staff that cares for them.  
 Again, thank you for your contribution. May the Lord bless you.

Sincerely, **Jim Harmon, Director of Ranch Life Baldwin Co. Sheriffs' Boys Ranch**

**Nursery Linens** - Helen Webb will be in charge of the nursery linens in May. Many thanks to Erin Davis for her love and support in April.

**Sympathy**  
 Sherrie McCool Bott  
 in the loss of her mother.

**Welcome New Members**  
 Debra Housch  
 Harry & Ardys Dalton  
 Mel & Pauline Kerns

**May Anniversaries**  
 5th Jack & Sara Grace  
 5th Larry & Dottie Peiffer  
 15th Richard & Lisa Denham  
 17th John & Doris Hulett  
 28th John & Kathi Henderson  
 31st Tommy & Sandra Lee

**May Birthdays**  
 1st Richard Denham  
 1st Steve Neitzel  
 4th Chris Brush  
 4th Tom Gauntt  
 4th Becky Ward  
 7th Sue Boles  
 7th Mary Joiner  
 7th William Westine  
 8th Mitchell Craft  
 9th Carlton Garner  
 10th Mary Traudt  
 12th Michelle Ward  
 13th Brooke Ward  
 14th Wilodean Brown  
 14th Gail Diercks  
 14th Robyn Tolle  
 15th Larry Fennell  
 16th Herb Malone  
 16th Maggie Mattison  
 17th David Egbert  
 18th Sherry Cook  
 18th B. J. Wallace  
 19th Bill Rhoades  
 19th Ray Wright  
 20th Gardner Knapp  
 20th Gene Lenz  
 21st Luana Schmidt  
 23rd Jordyn Parker  
 25th Tammy Hancock  
 26th Shirley Wilcken  
 28th Melba Chasteen  
 28th Perry Hand  
 29th Joe Porter

**Ushers**  
**2nd**- Phil Bass, Ed Diercks, Carlton Garner, Bubba Lee, Hollis Messer, Sam Rice, Wade Ward, Tom Seals.  
**9th** - Charley Ogletree, Bob Boles, Dale Stevens, Andy Haynes, John Boller, Joe Porter, Buddy Brown, Ray Wright, Allen Woerner.  
**16th** - Tom Gauntt, Don Kopf, Joe Martin, Leon Null, Nat Young, Jan Zimmerman, Howard Zimmerman, Homer Bumann, Dolly Crewes.  
**23rd** - Mickey Webb, Lynda Thurmond, Carl Schuchardt, Joe Slaughter, Bob Davidson, Pierre Geneux, Mike Hancock, Tommy Lee, Bill Parks.  
**30th** - Terry Jones, Faye Kelly, Jack Grace, Lynda Thurmond, Jim Roy, and Pierre Geneux.

STEWARDSHIP	
April	
Monthly Budgeted	\$20,000.00
Monthly Received	\$22,401.00

Attendance for April	
4th	- 732
11th	- 249
18th	- 260
25th	- 248

Adult Sunday School Attendance for April	
4th	-
11th	- 29
18th	- 36
25th	- 17

