

**ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**Section 2  
Staff Reports  
2018**

## Senior Pastor's Report by Pastor Manuel Retamoza

*“So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.”*  
~Colossians 2:6-7

These verses came to mind for me as I reflected on the life of our congregation during 2018 and how each of you contribute to the mission and ministry of St. Andrew's. I am so happy to write this annual report as it captures a quick broad brush stroke of just how very busy our congregation is and how much we have accomplished together. I believe this report and our full annual report is testament to our mission statement “To be disciples and make disciples.” Here are a few highlights that I will remember and treasure from the last year:

As part of my Youth Ministry responsibilities, I now lead the Youth Networkers group for our two San Diego conferences. This group meets once a month for lunch to discuss the challenges and successes of youth ministry.

In 2018 our youth group attended the National Youth Gathering in Houston TX. Following our time in Houston, the group spent a night in Austin and several nights in San Antonio where we were led by Prairie Rose Seminole (Churchwide staff for the American Indian and Alaska Native desk) and Vance Blackfox in experiences about the history and culture of Texas and Native people. Our group also made our annual trip to Miracle Ranch Children's Home near Tecate for several days where we worked and played with the children who live there. These youth trips are tremendously influential on our youth's faith, maturity, and relationships with one another.

There were many fundraisers for our youth trips but the two most successful ones, both in money raised and in the involvement of youth, parents and church members, were the Formal Dinner in August and the Haunted House in October. Our courtyard Coffee Cart continues to be a very successful integral youth fundraiser. Thank you to the whole congregation for your ongoing, generous support of our youth ministry. We had several other youth activities such as our snow trip to Luther Glen. There was also the Catechism Cramming trip in April where the high school youth welcomed in the 8<sup>th</sup>-grade students that were confirmed in May.

In 2018, I continued to oversee the maintenance of our facilities. Brightview continues to be our landscape company and they have done a remarkable job of keeping our grass green and grounds maintained throughout the year.

This last year I supervised an intern from Agape House, Michelle Para. As part of her time with us, she shared with our youth and adults a presentation on Intersectionality (the interconnected nature of social categorizations such as race, class, and gender as they apply to a given individual or group, regarded as creating overlapping and interdependent systems of discrimination or disadvantage).

I continue to serve as the Hospitality lead on the Executive Team for Extravaganza, serving those who serve in the children, youth, and family ministries in the church. This has meant once a month meetings and some extra time in Houston and Jacksonville, FL for the planning of this event. In addition, I served the ELCA National Youth Gathering as co-lead for the Tech and

Talent team. My position is on the Talent side which means that I contract and schedule the talent who will be performing on stages during the ELCA Youth Gathering 2018 in Houston, TX.

Following the mass shooting at Borderline Bar and Grill, our congregation sent prayer quilts to the CLU campus to assist in their recovery following both the shooting and the fires in fall. I also continue to serve as a Convocator for CLU and as of the fall 2018 semester we have 2 students at California Lutheran University, (Camryn Force, and Joe Zimmerly).

In the fall, our congregation hosted three tables at the annual Survivors of Torture luncheon. We continue to support the efforts of this local organization in helping to resettle people who have escaped traumatic circumstances.

Many people connected to our congregation marked significant milestones in their lives. I have been blessed to support people through providing pre-marriage counseling, and presiding at weddings and funerals.

Requests keep coming in for Chicano Park tours, so I have continued to lead tours and educational conversations as well as Border Field/Friendship park tours for visiting High School, college and adult groups and local congregations. These tours have been very enlightening and informative to me as individuals in the groups from all over the country have asked good questions and contributed to the tour experience for me.

I was also invited to take part in the ELCA Larger Church Conference in Hilton Head SC in May, 2018. Lisa and I both attended this event and I gleaned quite a bit of material and creative ideas for our congregation.

We purchased the Push-Pay app for our congregation. It serves us in allowing people to efficiently and quickly give and it is yet another way for the community to receive news and updates from the church and staff.

The year of 2018 has seen growth and great changes in my areas of ministry. I continue in prayer for God's leading in my life, and I have hope for the future in my part of the ministry here at St Andrew's Lutheran Church. I want to thank and recognize our congregational council, especially presidents Marion Vomhof and Holly Ferrante, for their leadership and service on behalf of the congregation. I also want to recognize all of the volunteers who serve in a variety of ways to help make ministry here possible- there are too many to name. And of course I would like to thank our dedicated and tireless staff, Pastor Sarah Sumner-Eisenbraun, Meri Jo Petrivelli, Sara Zimmerly, Paula McDonald, Scott Skinner, Stephanie Alexander, and Lisa Rosa-Retamoza.

Blessings,

Pastor Manuel Retamoza

Statistically, here's what we did in 2018:

**BAPTISMS:**

Adeline Derya Cimsit  
Abigail Kathleen Belknap  
Tessa Laine DeCarli  
Abbey Griffiths  
Ryan Edward Wood  
David Stuart Snow

**CONFIRMED:**

Katelyn Bona  
Jack Peterson  
Gavin Potts  
Emily Sedlund

**COMMITTED TO GOD'S EVERLASTING CARE (Funeral/Memorials):**

Mary Phyllis Cederberg	Emma Christine Sinford
Bettina Halvorsen	Shirley Losli
Irwin George North	Hazel (Holly) Johnson
Joan (Joanie) Mitrea	Barry W. Ferich
Dee Eakright	Margaret Ann (Peggy) Hopkins
Anthony (Tony) Asaro	

Baptized Membership 12/31/2017	736
Baptized Members received in 2018	
Child Baptism	5
Adult Baptism	1
Affirmation of Faith	27
Transfer	0
Other	0
<b>Total Received in 2018</b>	<b>38</b>
Baptized Members removed in 2018	
Death	9
Transfer	0
Other	50
<b>Total Removed in 2018</b>	<b>59</b>
Baptized Membership 12/31/2018	710
Baptized Youth Confirmed	4
<b>Confirmed Membership 12/31/2018</b>	<b>547</b>
<b>Average weekly worship attendance</b>	<b>318</b>
<b>Number of people actively participating in the life of the congregation:</b>	<b>687</b>

## Associate Pastor's Report by Pastor Sarah Sumner-Eisenbraun

*"Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you." ~Phil. 4:9*

This last year was full of wonderful ministry for us at St. Andrew's. I continue to be humbled and grateful to serve as one of your pastors. Here are some highlights from 2018:

### Faith Formation:

- We have celebrated several faith milestones as a congregation this year, but I particularly want to highlight the first of our **First Communion Milestones**, which we celebrated Palm Sunday Weekend of 2018 and then again on October 27/28. We also marked our second **BYOB Weekend/Bible Milestone** on the weekend of October 6/7. We continue to work toward our vision of connected our generations through our shared faith. I want to especially thank **Teri Potts** for helping with the Communion Workshops. We welcomed 6 children for their First Communion and 4 students received their 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bibles. We also had a fun and meaningful summer Sunday school around the theme of Dr. Seuss stories- I want to thank our team of summer teachers, Rachel Petrivelli, Miles Holland, Kevin Sumner-Eisenbraun, Katie Kozlik, Christine Dobbins, Mike Maass, and Duncan and Brandi Wallace. In October we also welcomed Sexual Health educator Kara Haug to lead workshops for parents and our SALT groups.
- In December a group of 11 of us gathered at Luther Glen for our Women's Retreat focused on Mary the Mother of Jesus. We also got a tour of the farm and worshipped together with Holden Evening Prayer.

### Worship:

- Our **Blessing of the Animals** service was a major highlight this last fall. We had a variety of animals and a full house, including goats from Luther Glen Farm.
- Our Stewardship Emphasis of **#blessed** included weekly temple talks as well as daily devotions written by many of our church leaders. Thank you to Holly Ferrante, Brian McMullen, Susan Fox, Jeanette Stumpfel, Jackie Wheatley, Jeannine and Lee Eddy, Meri Jo Petrivelli, Maura Beland, Tracy Fox, Joanne Beets, Ken Kozlik, Teri Potts, Mimi Porter, Kristin Timmons, Lori Herman, Cindy Page, Roy Gash, Ellen McMullen and much-missed David Nesvig, for writing those devotions that were shared online and in print.

### Larger Church Engagement:

- I continue to be a part of local and national youth and family ministry events connected to the ELCA. This year marks my 9<sup>th</sup> year serving on the planning team for the Southern California **Middle School Youth Gathering**. I am the mainstage coordinator and backstage manager for that event. I also serve on the Mainstage Team for the **ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza**, specifically as worship planner and backstage manager. I continue my work as a board member of **Agape House** Campus Ministry at SDSU. We are in the

process of planning for a major building project for the renewal and re-imagination of that dynamic ministry. My friend Pastor Cate Luehr and I also served as keynote speakers for the **Pacifica Synod Assembly** last May. I was also a guest preacher at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Fullerton for their Thankoffering service in November. I also continue to represent St. Andrew's with the San Diego Regional Interfaith Coalition.

This year I have also spent time in pastoral care visits, at Keenagers Events, regularly teaching confirmation and helping to lead SALT, leading preschool chapel, participating in Stephen Ministry trainings, supporting families during times of grief and loss, and welcoming children and youth in baptism. On a personal note, my family purchased a home in the San Carlos area in the fall. I also continue to be grateful to have Ezra be a part of our preschool and have enjoyed being able to walk to school with him most mornings. Thank you especially to the wonderful staff: Stephanie Alexander, Teri Potts, Sandra Erickson, Paula McDonald, Sara Zimmerly, Scott Skinner, Lisa Rosa-Retamoza, Meri Jo Petrivelli, and, of course, Pastor Manuel for all of their hard work and commitment.

In partnership of the gospel,  
Pastor Sarah Sumner-Eisenbraun

### **Council President's Report by Holly Ferrante**

We've had another year of meaningful ministry here at St. Andrew's. As council president I have been blessed to experience the wide variety of ways that we serve God and our neighbors. In keeping with our mission statement "to be disciples and make disciples," here are just a few events and developments from 2018 that I especially want to highlight:

**Finance and Stewardship:** in 2018, our Finance Committee met for many hours to work on the budget as we were in deficit spending most of the year. By year end, we had come up to almost even. At the December 2, 2018 meeting, the congregation took a leap of faith and voted to amend the budget to add the cost of a custodian back into the budget. This congregation continues to work and challenge ourselves to keep growing in our Stewardship.

As a part of our fall Stewardship Theme, #Blessed we had a special Saturday Night service outside to have a Blessing of the Animals in September. Backpacks were blessed for the students just before school started. We also encouraged electronic giving. Members who signed up for Electronic Giving received autographed picture of The Last Supper.

**Worship:** In October as a part of our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Bible Milestone, we expanded our BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) to all 4 of our worship services. During our Wednesday night Lenten services, representatives from six of our Benevolence organizations spoke about their work in the community. St. Andrew's continues to be generous in our support of various organizations through our benevolences. The youth led worship on Palm Sunday sharing the Passion Story Reading at all of our services. On Easter Sunday Pastor Manuel and Pastor Sarah had a creative joint sermon using rocks.

**Larger Church Involvement:** The Pacifica Synod Assembly was held May 18-19, 2018, in San Diego. St. Andrew's was represented by Kristin Timmons, Joe Zimmerly, along with Synod Vice President Lori Herman, Meri Jo Petrivelli, Pastor Manuel and Pastor Sarah. A Congregational Meeting was held on June 14, 2018, and new council and committee members were elected for the 2018-2019 year.

One of the resolutions from Synod Assembly encouraged all congregations to undergo and study and feedback process for the ELCA Proposed Social Statement on Women and Justice. Pastor Sarah led two separate focus groups over the summer and shared your feedback with the ELCA Churchwide office.

**With Thanks:** Special thanks to Marion Vomhof and Lori Herman for all of their help as I took office last July. Thank you also to the Council Members that completed their terms during 2018, Jason Sinford, Ryan McElvain, Michael Muldoon, Tracy Fox and Jackie Wheatley. I would also like to show appreciation to Linda LeNeve, Carol Sherry, and Roy Gash for continuing to generously give of their time to review our financials and serve as our in-house auditors. I would also like to thank Nancy Sardina for her 19 years of service as our Financial Secretary. And finally I would like to thank our entire council and staff for the tireless work they do serving God in this place. I am grateful for the joy and love of this congregation and am excited to see what the Spirit is calling us to next.

Blessings,

Holly Ferrante

## **Staff Reports**

### **Meri Jo Petrivelli, Director of Parish Administration**

If 2017 was a year of transition, 2018 was a year of settling in. The staff and congregation had a lot of changes over 2016 and 2017 and we were happy for some stability and predictability!

Pastor Sarah's arrival in the last stretch of 2017 generated excitement and anticipation for our ministries. The staff looked forward to building a new team with Pastors Manuel and Sarah leading us. Pastor Sarah greeted each new event and season with enthusiasm, creativity, and confidence. We tried some new things, kept some ongoing things, and changed a few things. Whatever else St. Andrew's is known for, aversion to change is not one of them!

Throughout this year of settling in, St. Andrew's continued serving our community through worship, fellowship events, community outreach, and more. My role as Director of Administration included managing our payroll and benefits, insurance contracts, and IT issues. In addition, I am responsible for updating our website content, sending out congregational email, and overseeing our social media presence on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. In 2017 we added Venmo to our available methods of making payments to St. Andrew's. At the end of 2018 we entered into a contract with PushPay as one of our online donation vendors. (More on that below) You can now use just about any method of payment with us! (cash, check, text, credit card online, credit card on site using Square and an iPad, and Venmo). I worked with Sara Zimmerly, our offering counters, and our financial recording secretaries, Nancy Sardina and Linda LeNeve, to ensure proper documentation for financial transactions from donors. We are deeply grateful for the service that both Linda LeNeve and Nancy Sardina provided as our financial secretaries over the years. Each of them "retired" from that position at different times in 2018. We are happy to welcome Linda Gidlund as our new financial secretary. Speaking of finances, did you know we have a great team of offering counters? Three wonderful volunteers come to the office each Monday to help count the weekly offerings and ensure the deposits are completed correctly and taken to the bank. We all owe deep gratitude to this group of dedicated people: Jane Nesvig, Phyllis Blanchard, Tom & Sue Barnett, Steve Love, Ruth Runge, Ruth Rinde, Bev Revier, Myrt Niesley, Mona Nesheim, Carol Edwards, and Cheryl Hirsch.

At the end of 2018 we entered into a contract with Push Pay, a company that provides services for online donations. It is similar to our previous vendor, Vanco, but has an extra feature – an app for smartphones and tablets! In addition to electronic donations via our website, text, or your bank we now have an app that provides a vehicle for donations. The app also provides updated communication on what's happening here at church, and we expect to have additional features added as time goes on. We are happy that Kim Freiberg has agreed to help us design and update the content! If you haven't downloaded the app yet, look for StAndrewsSD in the App Store!

If you haven't had a chance to visit our website recently, take a look! We are grateful to Jan Shawkey for his expertise and design. Any content you would like to see edited or changed should be directed to me. The web address is **standrewslutheran.church (note no www at the beginning)**. St. Andrew's has a presence on three social media platforms: Twitter (@StAndrewsSD), Instagram (@standrewssd), and Facebook (St. Andrew's Lutheran San Diego). If you use any of those platforms, please like or follow us! We try to update our content regularly. We have "live streamed" some of our worship services and are considering how to incorporate that more regularly. As technology advances, we do our best to keep up!

I continue in my role as member of the ELCA Church Council, which is the governing board for the entire ELCA. I travel to Chicago at least twice a year for meetings, and represent the ELCA at some of our synod events, as well. My term continues through August 2019.

In addition to my regular administration duties, I continued as the main facilitator for the Tuesday Morning Bible Study. This is a lively, wise, thoughtful, and fun group who never lacks ideas or enthusiasm for our topic and our ministries. I am grateful every week that I get to be at the table with them!

Looking ahead to 2019 and beyond, I believe St. Andrew's has a bright future. We know that God is with us. I am grateful to be on this journey with all of you, but especially with my co-workers Sara, Paula, Lisa, Scott, Stephanie, Pastor Sarah and Pastor Manuel. Coming to work is productive, gratifying, and fun thanks to them. We hope to be adding a maintenance coordinator position to our staff in 2019, which will make things even more productive, gratifying, and fun!

*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. (Jeremiah 29:11)*

## **Scott Skinner, Music Director**

The **St. Andrew's Chancel Choir** provides anthems for our 8:00 a.m. worship service most every Sunday, with the exception of the second Sunday of each month, which is now the 8:00 a.m. Gospel Service. The Chancel Choir also leads the singing of the daily and Communion Hymns at this service.

The **St. Andrew's Gospel Singers** supply musical leadership at two services a month-- both the 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. services every second Sunday.

The **St. Andrew's Celebrate Singers** lead the congregational singing at the 9:30 a.m. service the first and third Sundays of most months. This group also provides music for the Prelude, Call to Worship, Communion Distribution and Postlude.

The **St. Andrew's Taizé Singers** lead the Taizé Service which is offered at the 11:00 a.m. service on the fourth Sunday of most months. Meditation and silence play an important role in this unique worship experience. Much of the music is contemplative and repetitive, so the worshippers can concentrate more on the message, rather than the intricacies of the music.

**Joyful Noise** is our St. Andrew's Lutheran Children's Choir, under the direction of Carmen Berry and accompanist Mona Nesheim. We are certainly blessed to be able to hear the happy sounds of these youngsters several times a year at various services. I especially find it fun to listen to their practices while standing outside the music room door on Wednesday afternoons during the season of WIN!

**Russ Lenk** provides music for the first Saturday of each month with his unique stylings of songs he has written.

**L&L** (Lynn Nesheim & Lee Eddy) leads worship on the third Saturday of each month. In 2019 Lee & Lynn will be joined by Jackie Daw and Dee Elwin.

**Second Saturday** plays for the second Saturday and Sunday (9:30 a.m. service) of each month. Members of this group include Lee Eddy, Dee Elwin, Rob Stabley, Doug Lester and Scott Skinner.

**Peacemakers** is our fourth Saturday and the next day 9:30 a.m. Sunday music ensemble. Members include Kristin & Tyler DuVall, Mary Ruddock, Laurie Line, Brynn Norby, Rob Stabley & Lee Eddy. Peacemakers are under the dedicated leadership of Dan Johnson (also an integral member of the band--on guitar!).

A simplified schedule for musical participants in 2018 Saturday night services is as follows:

First Saturday:	Russ Lenk
Second Saturday:	Second Saturday Band
Third Saturday:	L&L
Fourth Saturday:	Peacemakers
Fifth Sunday:	TBA!

In 2018 I participated in several Webinars and have spent many hours choosing music for our various music groups. I have received much additional support from others, and in particular, Lee Eddy, Dan Johnson, Lynn McCarter and, of course, members of all our musical groups. Next year's plans include attending the ALCM 2019 Summer Convention in Portland, OR.

In conclusion, I would certainly like to offer my heartfelt appreciation to all of our music ministry volunteers: assistant ministers, lectors, the congregation, our sound techs and PASTORS who have helped make our St. Andrew's Lutheran music program a resounding success in 2018. Also, I would be remiss should I not mention those who have offered financial support to our music programs as a result of our recent music budget cut. A complete listing of benefactors will be printed in subsequent publications.

Please note that I am always open to suggestions from anyone regarding anything musical at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church. Your suggestions have always helped to shape our music program in the past and will continue to do so in the future.



Music Director @ St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

## **Sara Zimmerly, Coordinator of Welcome Ministries and Bookkeeping**

This year began just like any other, with hope and anticipation of things to come, with a few extras added in for good measure! We welcomed 27 new members in to the St. Andrew's community. We watched and welcomed them as they joined us in many of our volunteer activities, for example, joining one of our many musical groups, becoming a Sunday school teacher, an acolyte scheduler, a Stephen Minister and a WIN team helper (cooking and or cleaning for a meal). I'm sure I missed an activity or two but you get the idea. We are so very thankful for all of the gifts and talents these newest members have shared with us. And thank you to the ever faithful of our family who welcomed them in.

My other duty on staff is the church bookkeeper, this takes up most of my daily time. Much of this happens behind the scenes, paying bills and keeping all of the necessary paperwork organized and filed correctly. We upgraded to a new and improved software for the accounting system and it has made the tasks much more user friendly and has made problem solving easier.

We have tried to make giving monetarily to the church as uncomplicated as possible. To help with this, in the past we have used Vanco/Simply Giving for our online giving. In 2018 we were interested in trying to reach more people and make online giving even simpler. Vanco/Simply Giving was not able to accommodate us for what we had in mind so we went with a company called Pushpay. Transitions are not always easy and this was no exception. We have had many frustrations and complications along the way but I am hopeful that as the days and weeks go by things will go more smoothly. So we appreciate everyone's patience during this time.

Something exciting happened in 2018! I was asked to be on the Board of Directors for Lutheran Retreats Camps and Conferences (LRCC) They have two locations, El Camino Pines in Frazier Park, CA and Luther Glen Farm in Yucaipa CA., we meet several times a year and sometimes we even get to spend some time at the camps. LRCC holds a special place in my heart as I lived at one of the camps, El Camino Pines, for two years, first as a summer camp counselor and then I stayed on as an Outdoor School Instructor. Both of my kids have loved attending camp as children and now as young adults they also love working there. This is an exciting time at camp and I am proud and happy to be involved!

Throughout the year I have been tremendously thankful for the help and expertise of Carol Sherry, Roy Gash and Aileen DeLeuran. These three have been so incredibly kind and always willing to lend a hand, or their brain whenever I've needed them. I cannot say Thank You enough!

Thank you for allowing me do the work I love with the people I love.

Sara Zimmerly  
Coordinator of Welcome Ministries & Bookkeeper

**Dinner Coordinator, Lisa Retamoza**  
Wednesday Intergenerational Night - W.I.N.

My job as Kitchen Coordinator includes planning, shopping and overseeing WIN dinners. It also includes keeping the Coffee Cart and AA Coffee Bar supplied, making sure we are stocked for memorial receptions, general kitchen supplies, and communion bread.

Our WIN dinner program runs concurrent with the school and program year, beginning each year at the end of September and concluding in May. We have offered high quality dinners at a below-market price for the last several years, and we plan to continue this practice, despite not “breaking even” with our cost. We have received some Thrivent grants to cover a few of the individual meals, and are considering other ways to address any deficits in future years.

We are fortunate to have a team of wonderful regular volunteers to help with the WIN dinner program. Kristin Hetrick, Annelise McMullen, Kristin DuVall, and Jillian McClellan are a fabulous team that shows up every week to help prep, cook, and clean up. Khara Clement, Lisa Clement, and Kristin Timmons, with occasional help from Mary Ruddock, check in and receive payments. In addition, we have volunteer teams who help on specific weeks or dinners.

Originally I had planned to hand off the WIN dinner coordinator position to someone new starting in 2019. My full time job at Windmill Farms, combined with physical limitations and conditions, has made it so that I will not be able to continue with this position. This is still planned, however the original plan has been disrupted. We are working on Plan B, and our 2019 Annual Report will no doubt include what we actually end up doing.

WIN is a great ministry and St. Andrew’s is fortunate to be able to offer it to our community. I look forward to working with a new coordinator and additional volunteers beginning with the 2019 Program year.

Thanks,  
Lisa Rosa-Retamoza

## **Stephanie Alexander, Preschool Director**

St. Andrew's Lutheran Preschool continues to grow and serve more members of our congregation and our surrounding community. In 2018 we sent 15 very well prepared children off to kindergarten and transitional kindergarten. We welcomed in over 12 new families and had many continue on with us. Our annual summer camp was filled with children enjoying fun summer themes such as camping, science and the ever favorite pirate days.

Teri Potts and Sandra Erickson remain as stable, loving, devoted teachers at the preschool. Teri has implemented science activities weekly for the children. They are learning fun facts and new words like beaker, test tubes and conduction. Sandra's Monday and Tuesday morning Kid's Fit Club helps the children with their gross motor skills such as skipping, hopping and running. You will find the courtyard filled with excitement on those mornings. Aileen DeLeuran is our ever present Wednesday helper, reading to the children, engaging them in thoughtful conversation and always cleaning up after the teachers. We love having her in the classroom with us. Her help is invaluable.

Wednesday "Chapel Times" led by Pastor Manuel and Pastor Sarah find the sanctuary filled with singing, Bible stories and lots of laughter. The children are always excited to walk over to the sanctuary and hear how God loves them.

Once again the generous support from the congregation is much appreciated. Because of your continued support we can offer reasonable priced tuition for families in our community, making us a sought after preschool. Your donations from our coupon board in the fall keep us well stocked through the year.

I am looking forward to what the future holds for the preschool and our community as we look at new options on expanding our service to serve more children in 2019.

Blessings,

Stephanie Alexander