



Birthdays: *December 1 Jean Droz, 4 Sally Stewart, 8 Rob Scott, 9 Vivian Daniel,
10 Laurel Bruner, 12 Frank Stanley, 13 Rick Brandes, 14 Dale Leister,
14 John Turnbull, 16 Rich Mejia, 22 Barbara Foote, 25 Kristi Holcraft*

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School in the Ronn Garton Library, Preston Hall
Sundays 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Service in the Sanctuary
Sundays 10 a.m. Children's Sunday School and Childcare during Worship Service
Sundays 10 a.m. Teen Church, Bob Nelson Room, Preston Hall
Sundays 7 p.m. Mug & Bible Study @ Dale & Lois Leister's home, 961-5457
1st Sundays Communion 10 a.m.
1st Mondays 5 p.m. Worship Committee meeting
2nd Sundays after worship, Computer Assistance Hour-Choir Rm
2nd Mondays 6:30 p.m. Session Meets, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
3rd Sundays 11:30 a.m. Mission Committee meeting, Fireside Room, Eidsath House
Mondays 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, Bob Nelson Room, Daphne Mejia, 937-5403
Tuesdays 9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Library, Preston Hall
Tuesdays 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Deacon's Outreach Program, including food and showers.
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. PNC, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
Wednesdays 3:00 p.m. Christian Spirituality Study, Fireside Room, Eidsath House
Last Wednesday of the month, 5 p.m. Soul Food outreach dinner, Preston Hall
Thursdays 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
3rd Thursdays 2:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
Thursdays 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice, Alma Mendosa Room, Eidsath House
Fridays 5 p.m. Ringing of our bell, honoring the week's war casualties
Thursdays & Fridays, counseling sessions with Kathy Mooney

Note: CD's of sermons available from the Library after church or weekdays in the office.

Audio/Podcasts of sermons are made available each week on the church website.

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ST. ANDREW'S SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 30, 2014

Founded in the late 1500's, the Church of Scotland, known as the Kirk, took on a presbyterian form of government, "presbyteros" [Greek] meaning "elder". The great presbyterian diaspora began a century later in the late 1600's when people of "non-conforming" faith, those apart from the Church of England, began to flee their native land of Scotland and the North of Ireland going to, among other places, the American colonies. The first Presbytery of Philadelphia of the Presbyterian Church was held in 1706 and was composed of those Scots and Scots-Irish who had fled Great Britain to practice their presbyterian form of government as they believed God had chosen them to do. Seventy years later their children and grandchildren would fight for a broader expanse of liberty in the great American Revolution.

St. Andrew, brother to St. Peter, was the first apostle and became the Patron Saint of Scotland in the 10th Century. This was based on an earlier legend from the 9th Century that a Scottish king in prayer for victory in an upcoming battle with the Angles promised that if victorious he would appoint St. Andrew as the Patron Saint of Scotland. On the morning of the battle, emboldened by clouds in the sky in the shape of the diagonal cross of St. Andrew, the Scots were victorious and king was good to his word, making St. Andrew Scotland's Patron Saint.

Scotland's national flag, also known as the Saltire, is the same diagonal cross upon, as it is said, which St. Andrew was crucified.

Scots or not, this is a day to celebrate our denomination's heritage and the contribution it has made to our nation's founding. As then British Prime Minister Horace Walpole was quoted as saying, when informed that the American Colonies were in rebellion, "Cousin America has run away with a Presbyterian Parson".

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