

## Blessings by Laura Story

We pray for blessings, we pray for peace.  
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep  
We pray for healing, for prosperity  
We pray for your mighty hand to ease our suffering.  
All the while you hear each spoken need  
Yet love us way too much to give us lesser things

‘Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops?  
What if your healing comes through tears?  
What if a thousand sleepless nights are  
What it takes to know You’re near?  
What if trials of this life are your mercies in disguise?

We pray for wisdom your voice to hear  
We cry in anger when we cannot feel you near.  
We doubt your goodness, we doubt your love  
As if every promise from your word is not enough  
All the while you hear each desperate plea  
And long that we’d have faith to believe

‘Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops?  
What if your healing comes through tears?  
What if a thousand sleepless nights are  
What it takes to know You’re near?  
What if trials of this life are your mercies in disguise?

When friends betray us, when darkness seems to win  
We know the pain reminds this heart that this is not,  
This is not our home...it’s not our home.

‘Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops?  
What if your healing comes through tears?  
What if a thousand sleepless nights are  
What it takes to know You’re near?

What if my greatest disappointments or the aching of this life  
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can’t satisfy  
And what if trials of this life, the rain, the storms, the hardest nights,  
Are your mercies in disguise?

(Lyrics to Special Music presented by Katie Biehl in 8:45 service)

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Welcome

We warmly welcome our visitors who are worshipping with us today. Our worship is more complete because you are here. We pray that your time with St. Andrew has blessed you and that you will return to worship with us again. If there is anything you might need, please ask an usher. Also, make your presence known to us by filling in the registration pad as it is passed during the offertory.

### Worship Services at St. Andrew

At St. Andrew, we are pleased to offer four worship opportunities. Our **8:45 a.m.** service on Sunday provides a blend of the great hymns and traditions of the faith along with an informal attitude of caring and warmth. Our *Unplugged Praise* worship at **10:00 a.m.** features contemporary music played on acoustic instruments in an intimate setting, combining prayer, preaching, and praise to glorify God. The **11:15 a.m.** praise worship at relies on high energy contemporary music, dramatic vignettes, and relational preaching. The Mid-Week Service is a passionate, fun, welcoming and intimate worship experience. Come on in, grab a cup of coffee and grow with us! The service is **Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** in the Intersection. It’s our hope that one of these inspiring worship experiences will help connect you to the living God.



### For Our Guests

If you are a guest with us today, you are invited to receive a Welcome Packet from a greeter or at the Welcome Center, if you have not received one already. In The Commons, there is a gift for each guest family from our Front Porch Ministry. Please stop at the Welcome Center after the service to pick up your gift, and you can drop off the completed visitor card that you will find in the Welcome Packet. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

### Coffee in Commons

You are encouraged to come and enjoy fellowship along with coffee, tea, or juice, and donuts. Coffee in The Commons begins about 9:45 and continues through 11:15. There is a selection of goodies and coffee available at the kitchen window also, so you can pick up some refreshment on the way to your class.



## Celebration Dessert

### All-Church Celebration Dessert Tonight...We have a lot to celebrate!

Time: 7:30 p.m. Great Room

Come and enjoy the fellowship as we celebrate the completion of our second and final campaign for the first phase of our relocation process.

**Good friends, good conversation, and good entertainment!**

Catered by the Klein Brot Haus (Yes, there will be pie!)



**Please Note:** If you can, please plan on being available following the 11:15 today service to assist in setting up the Great Room for the event. God is Good all the time!!

### Midweek Service

Please join us this Wednesday, **July 20, at 7 p.m.** for our Midweek Worship Study experience! Last week, in our study of *The Book of Acts: Blueprints and Building Blocks*, we listened to Luke tell the story of Saul's extreme conversion to Paul and of Peter's stunning miracles. This week we will study Acts 10. All are welcome—we'll save you a seat!



### Know and Grow Sunday School Class Potluck

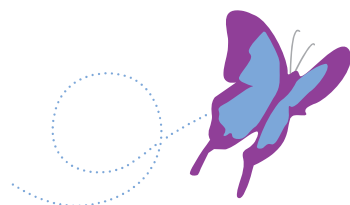
The Know and Grow class welcomes anyone to their Potluck that will be Saturday, July 23 at 6:00 p.m. at Steve and Anne Jones' home. They live at 2984

Soldiers Home Road in West Lafayette. Please bring a dish to share and come prepared to enjoy great fellowship.



### Buckets courtesy of VonTobel Hardware

The buckets used in Pastor Tim's illustration today were kindly loaned by VonTobel Hardware. We appreciate their support of our worship service.



### Echoes of the Gospel Book Club

- **Sunday, July 24, 6-7:30 p.m.**
- **Adult 1, St. Andrew**
- *The Story of Edgar Sawtelle* by David Wroblewski
- discussion led by Russ Jones, snacks provided

Amazon says this about the book:



*Born mute, speaking only in sign, Edgar Sawtelle leads an idyllic life with his parents on their farm in remote northern Wisconsin. For generations, the Sawtelles have raised and trained a fictional breed of dog whose thoughtful companionship is epitomized by Almondine, Edgar's lifelong friend and ally. But with the unexpected return of Claude, Edgar's paternal uncle, turmoil consumes the Sawtelles' once peaceful home. . . Forced to flee into the vast wilderness lying beyond the farm, Edgar comes of age in the wild, fighting for his survival and that of the three yearling dogs who follow him . . .*

Hope to see you on July 24. The group is always happy to welcome newcomers to the group!



### Trustees Are Looking for You



Trustees are in the process of developing a database of people who, from time to time,

may be willing to pitch in for various projects related to the maintenance and upkeep of the facility and grounds. We can use people with all levels and types of skills, so if you have a heart for that type of service, we can find something that would be a good fit for you. To indicate your interest, please touch base with the church office or email [trustees@andrew-umc.org](mailto:trustees@andrew-umc.org).

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**Zumba Fitness**  
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- Childcare
- Refreshments
- Fellowship

Contact Jeni Learid at [jenileaird@gmail.com](mailto:jenileaird@gmail.com) to be part of the Up & Moving team!