

*Saint Andrews  
Presbyterian Women  
2017-2018*

*Thankful... in All Circumstances*

Give THANKS in all circumstances; for  
this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

## LETTER FROM THE MODERATOR

Dear Ladies of Saint Andrews,

Welcome to Saint Andrews Presbyterian Women. It is a privilege to serve as Moderator of Saint Andrews Presbyterian Women (SAPW) for the 2017-2018 year. It has been a blessing to be involved in the women's organization at Saint Andrews for the past 23 years, participating in Circles, Bible Studies, local missions, retreats and many fellowship activities. I have developed relationships with sisters in Christ who have loved, encouraged, supported and prayed for me throughout the years. I am so thankful for these precious friends and grateful that they have invested in me, in each other and in our church to help us all grow in our faith in Jesus Christ. SAPW is open to all women and we hope that you will join us and reap the blessings of being a part of such a wonderful group of Christian women.

The theme this year is "Thankful in All Circumstances." We are not called to give thanks FOR all circumstances, but to give thanks IN all circumstances. In 1 Thessalonians 5:18 Paul says, "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Throughout this year may you remember to look for things for which you can be thankful both in joy-filled and challenging times.

Please use this handbook as a resource and feel free to reach out to me or any of the members of the leadership team if you have any questions or suggestions.

Serving with gratitude,  
*Melanie Hum*  
SAPW Moderator

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

Nurture Faith, Support Mission, Work for Justice & Peace, and Build Community  
As Presbyterians, we are connected. This is also true for St. Andrews Presbyterian Women (SAPW). We are connected to the larger organization of Presbyterian Women (PW) throughout the world. Below are statements concerning the overall PW purpose and symbol.

### **Presbyterian Women's Purpose**

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to:

- ✚ Nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study;
- ✚ Support the mission of the church worldwide;
- ✚ Work for justice and peace; and
- ✚ Build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promises of God's Kingdom.

### **Presbyterian Women's Symbol**

The three figures have no distinctive features, for they represent all women - young, old, of any nationality or ethnic background. A community of women ... in Christ. "Forgiven" is suggested by the figures rising from the Bible. One is studying, one is caring for others, and the middle figure is in a position symbolic of praise. The three figures suggest the Trinity. The whole design suggests a triangle within a circle - the Trinity and Unity.



**Note:** For more information about the National Presbyterian Women's Organization, please visit the PC-USA website at <http://www.pcusa.org/pw/index.htm>

**2017-2018 SAPW LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Moderator	Melanie Hum
Co-Moderator	Nettie Carson
Secretary	Jennifer Younce
Treasurer	Nancy Chocklett
Membership	Phyllis Ade
Co-Membership	Beth Carmichael
Missions	Linda Barnhill
Angel Care	Dot Kohlbach
Retreat Coordinator	Valerie Hubard
Historian	Jen Baccus
Circle Liaison	Cari Newton
College Connection	Kimberly Wynns
Special Events	

**Communication and Contact Information:**

Contact information for members of SAPW can be found in the SAPW Directory. An updated copy of the SAPW Directory is found on the SAPW Facebook page which is restricted to women of SAPC. The Directory is updated by the Membership Coordinators. We have tried to invite all ladies in our SAPW directory to the SAPW FB Group. If you do not receive an invitation to join, type sapcwomen in the search field from the FB page and ask to join. You can also go directly to it as [www.facebook.com/groups/sapcwomen](http://www.facebook.com/groups/sapcwomen) Please feel free to post anything on this FB page that you want to share with others. If you do not have Facebook and would like a copy of the directory please contact Melanie Hum, [melaniehum@att.net](mailto:melaniehum@att.net), and she will have a copy emailed to you.

The SAPW Handbook and updated information is available on the church website: [www.sapc.com](http://www.sapc.com). Click on Women’s Ministry.

**2017-2018 CALENDAR**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
SAPW Fall Gathering	Aug. 29, 2017	6:15-8:00 PM	SAPC Fellowship Hall
SAPW New Member Event	Nov. 9, 2017	6:00-8:00 PM	SAPC Fellowship Hall
SAPW Special Event: Sacred Threads Exhibit	Feb. 17, 2018	11:00 Brunch 1:00 Exhibit	Brunch- Cameron Village; Exhibit- West Raleigh Presbyterian Church
SAPW Retreat	March 2-4, 2018	Fri. 7:00 PM - Sun. 12:00 PM	Trinity Center Pine Knoll Shores, NC
SAPW New Member Event	April 2018	TBD	TBD
SAPW Spring Gathering	May 2018	6:15-8:00 pm.	SAPC Fellowship Hall
<b>Monthly Circles</b>			
Martha/Mary	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	6:30 PM	Members' Homes
Priscilla	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday	7:15 PM	Members' Homes
Rachel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday	12:00PM	SAPC
Ruth	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	7:00 PM	Members' Homes
Sarah	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	10:00 AM	SAPC
Angel Care	Ongoing	Anytime	Anywhere
Piecemakers	Any Thursday	AM	SAPC, Room 6
Prayer Shawl Ministry	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	10:30 AM	SAPC Conference Room
<b>Weekly Bible Study</b>	Tuesday	9:30-11:00	SAPC Room 6

## **FELLOWSHIP & ENRICHMENT EVENTS**

**Fall Gathering** is held in late August or early September in the SAPC Fellowship Hall with a meal and program. All women of the church are invited to attend this event when we kick-off the year of activities for SAPW. The program introduces the coming year's activities and provides an opportunity to renew friendships and socialize. Funds are collected for the Mission Pledge of Presbyterian Women (operating fund) and the Thank Offering. More information on this is provided in the following pages.

**Bible Study** Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00 AM

SAPW meet at SAPC to engage in Bible Study. Women of all ages are invited to join the weekly morning Bible study.

**SAPW New Member Event** An event will be held in the fall and spring to welcome the women in the New Members Class.

**SAPW's Retreat** Friday-Sunday, March 2-4, 2018

We will return to the Trinity Center located in Pine Knoll Shores, NC for the 2018 Retreat. Please join us for a wonderful weekend filled with spiritual renewal, fellowship with sisters in Christ and fun in a beautiful, serene setting.

**Spring Gathering** May 2018

The SAPW will conclude the year at the Spring Gathering. Join us to learn about the events and mission outreach conducted during the 2017-2018 year. The Birthday Offering will be collected at the Spring Gathering.

## **MISSION OUTREACH AND CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

**Angel Care** Ongoing

This service is provided to our church members in need of temporary or short-term assistance in collaboration with the SAPC Diaconate. Assistance includes, but is not limited to, providing meals, providing transportation, celebrating birth, sanctuary flower delivery, shopping for groceries, running errands, and visiting church members.

**Angel Tree** Christmas Season

Long a favorite tradition at SAPC, the Christmas Angel Tree is coordinated by SAPW. The tree is located in the Narthex and is adorned with ornaments containing a name, age, and specific gift suggestions.

**Backpack Buddies** Mondays during the school year, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The Backpack Buddies program provides backpacks filled with child-friendly, nutritious food to feed school children in our area during the weekend and holiday breaks. The women meet at SAPC to car pool to the Inter-Faith Food Shuttle Building. Volunteers are needed to pack bags and or deliver bags to the designated school on Tuesdays.

**College Connection** During the School Year

Supporting SAPC college students and young people serving in the military through prayer, cards, small gifts, and words of encouragement. Circles and other SAPC church members sponsor students/military personnel.

## **FINANCIAL OVERVIEW**

**Mission Pledge of Presbyterian Women** Preferably collected at the Fall Gathering in order to plan the year's budget, but women can give anytime during the church year

Every year we give to the Mission Pledge of Presbyterian Women. We tend to call this the "Operating Fund" pledge or donation. This fund supports SAPW operations at SAPC,

church-wide events, the Presbytery, and the Synod. We send a 10% tithe from the pledges to the Presbytery PW's organization for regional and national PW operations and missions. SAPW give as they feel blessed and led.

Make checks payable to SAPC and write SAPW Pledge in the memo line or make an online donation through the SAPC website using your credit or debit card.

### **Thank Offering** Collected in the Fall

The Thank Offering is sent in its entirety to the Presbytery PW. This offering originated in the 1800s to support mission work for National Presbyterian Women Missions.

The Thank Offering gives women a tangible way to express their gratitude for the special blessings in their lives. The offering funds projects concerning agricultural development, child care, community organization, criminal justice, drug counseling, economic justice, elder care, employment training, homelessness, literacy, violence, and other women's concerns. At least 40% of this offering supports health ministries throughout the world. The remaining 60% funds new creative ideas for mission.

Make checks payable to SAPC and write SAPW Thank in the memo line or make an online donation through the SAPC website using your credit or debit card.

### **Birthday Offering** Collected in May at the Spring Gathering

This offering began in 1922 to support missions as designated by the PW's Creative Ministries Offering Committee of the PC-USA. Programs are chosen on the basis of meeting the needs of hurting people and with the faith that adequate money to fund them will be received.

For more information visit [www.presbyterianwomen.org](http://www.presbyterianwomen.org)

If you have questions, please contact the SAPW Treasurer, Nancy Chocklett, at [SAPWTreas@gmail.com](mailto:SAPWTreas@gmail.com)

## **SAPW CIRCLES**

SAPW Circles meet monthly for a time of fellowship and Book/Bible Study.  
**Participation in Circles IS NOT a requirement for SAPW membership.**

**MARY-MARTHA CIRCLE, 1<sup>ST</sup> MONDAY, 6:30 PM, HOMES  
LEADERS: HOLLY MCCOY & JANET SMITH**

Our desire is to embody the best qualities of each sister of the Martha/Mary story. We support and participate in Saint Andrews' Women's programs. Meetings take place in member's homes on a rotational, volunteer basis. We also share in providing snacks and leading the study lessons. We welcome women of any age who enjoy listening, sharing, caring and praying for each other.

(picture coming soon ☺)

**PRISCILLA CIRCLE, 3RD MONDAY, 7:15 PM, HOMES  
LEADER: AMY BROWN**

We are a group of ladies who pray for, love and support each other. We meet in member's homes and take turns providing dessert and leading the study lesson each month. We enjoy the wide age range of our group and the advice and wisdom that comes from many experiences. Each summer we get together for an annual summer porch dinner and this description was written several years ago after one of them: P=pretty great gals, R=running the good race, I=inspiring, S=supporting each other, C=cute and caring, I=in prayer for each other, L=loving one another, L=living His word, A=always close in heart.



**RACHEL CIRCLE, 2ND FRIDAY, 12:00 PM, SAPC CONFERENCE ROOM  
LEADER: EILEEN WIRES**

We meet the second Friday of each month in the conference room at the church. We want to appeal to mothers with children in school who are too busy in the evenings to join a circle, women who have Fridays off or who can take a longer lunch hour, and women who just do not want to drive at night. We are a loving group of women who enjoy growing our faith through Christian studies, fellowship, and supporting and praying for one another.

(picture coming soon ☺)

**RUTH CIRCLE, 2<sup>ND</sup> TUESDAY, 7:00 PM, HOMES  
LEADER: SUE PARKS**

The Ruth Circle is a group of remarkable women (The Ruthies) who get together for fellowship, friendship, and book study at members' homes the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Members take turns providing desserts and leading the lesson. Our circle is best described as follows: R=reliable, U=understanding, T=thoughtful, H=helpful, I=idealistic, E=energetic S=sisterhood, C=caring, I=imaginative, R=rowdy, C=compassionate, L=loving and E=empowered.

**SARAH CIRCLE, 1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY, 10:30 AM, SAPC**

**LEADER: SHEILA MCMAHON**

The focus for our morning circle is enrichment and deepening of our faith through study and discussion of Christian books. As a wonderful bi-product of this time together, we refresh and renew old friendships and make new ones. This fellowship provides encouragement and support to one another in both good and difficult times. Since we meet mid-morning a beverage is provided by Sarah members on a voluntary basis. We welcome new members.



**SAPW HISTORICAL RECORD  
HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP RECIPIENTS**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>
1986	Kitty Clark	2008	Nancy Bates
1987	Lee Tubbs	2009	Not awarded
1989	Betty Rogerson	2010	Bonnie Millikan
1993	Sandra Brown	2011	Fairley Cook
1997	Mary Marchman	2012	Not awarded
2002	Bonnie Greer	2013	Not awarded
2006	Linda Leake	2014	Mark Stevens
2006	Trenna Perkins	2015	Diane Knauf
2007	Cathey Lane	2016	Elaine Mueller
2007	Mable Duke Weeks	2017	Pat Bickel

**SAPW HISTORICAL RECORD MODERATOR**

<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Year(s)</b>	<b>Scripture</b>	<b>Theme</b>
Betty Rogerson	1978-1980		
Trenna Perkins	1980-1982		
Janis Funk	1982-1984		
Pat Hancock	1984-1986		
Linda Butler	1986-1987		
Pat Pate	1987-1988		
Annette McIntyre	1988-1989		
Sylvia Norman	1989-1990		
Pett Hare	1990-1991		
Kathy Olsen	1991-1992		
Diane McFadden	1992-1993		
Flo Doutre	1993-1994		
Sue Bucci	1994-1995		
Ann Herrick	1995-1996		
Mary Marchman	1996-1997		
Kathleen Skaar	1997-1998		
Shirley Willett	1998-1999	Hebrews 10:23-24	Take Your Next Step of Faith
Roy Noel	1999-2000		
Virginia Parker	2000-2001	II Corinthians 5:17	In Him...Through Him
Fairley Bell Cook	2001-2002	Colossians 3:15	Piecing it Together
Beverly Lovelace	2002-2003	Romans 12:10,13	Welcome
Eileen Wires	2003-2004	John 3:16	Celebrate
Stephanie Mitchell	2004-2005	II Corinthians 9:8	Living the Graceful Life
Bonnie Millikan	2005-2006	John 15:5	Journey Through the Vine
Karen Schley	2006-2007	Proverbs 3:5-6	Trust in the Lord
Amy Brown	2007-2008	Galatians 5:22-23, 25	Growing in the Fruit of the Spirit
Nancy Chocklett	2008-2009	Psalms 118:24	Living Abundantly: Enjoying Each Day the LORD has Made
Linda Leake	2009-2010	Philippians 2:1-2	Building & Growing Our Relationship with God & Others
Pat Cash	2010-2011	Ephesians 3:16-19	Rooted & Established in Love
Amy Wilson	2011-2012	Ecclesiastes 4:9-12	Experiencing Fellowship, Life, & the Lord Together
Cari Newton	2012-2013	Philippians 4:13	I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Cari Newton/Caroline Martinez	2013-2014	Romans 12:6	We all have different gifts, each of which came because of the grace God gave us.
Judy Ice	2014-2015	Isaiah 26:3	Peace
Joye Willcox	2015-2016	Ephesians 5:2	Growing in Grace

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Joye Willcox	2016-2017	Romans 15:13	Jesus...Others...You!
Melanie Hum	2017-2018	1 Thess. 5:18	Give THANKS in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

## **LEADERSHIP TEAM POSITIONS**

(Detailed role descriptions are available from the Moderator upon request)

### **MODERATOR**

The SAPW Moderator is primarily a position of oversight and delegation. It is the Moderator's job to ensure that the Leadership Team is operating in an efficient manner and that each and every activity that SAPW is engaged with is in keeping with the "The Presbyterian Woman's Purpose." The moderator facilitates monthly leadership team meetings, selects the spiritual theme for the year, emcees SAPW gatherings and events, as needed, submits updated handbook, previews all SAPW publications, and communicates with and sends annual reports to the Presbytery.

### **SECRETARY**

The Secretary prepares and distributes minutes of SAPW Leadership Team meetings to team members as well as other leaders within the church: Pastor, Associate Pastor, Circle Leaders, Moderator of Session, Moderator of Diaconate, etc.

### **TREASURER**

The Treasurer is responsible for all financial matters related to SAPW. She collects the various offerings throughout the year, manages the operating budget, prepares monthly reports which are distributed at the leadership team meetings, and communicates with the business office to ensure accurate deposits and distribution of funds.

### **MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**

The Membership Coordinator nurtures the growth of SAPW by actively welcoming and encouraging new members to engage in our activities. This is done with personal invitations at Rally Day, addressing the New Members class, planning and hosting two New Members Welcome Events, and facilitating the Big Sister program.

### **CIRCLE COORDINATOR**

The Circle Coordinator serves as a liaison between the SAPC Women's Circles and the SAPW Leadership Team. She also publicizes Circle information, forms an ad-hoc committee to choose the Circle book studies, and updates the Circle information on the SAPW bulletin board.

### **MISSIONS COORDINATOR**

The Missions Coordinator oversees SAPW involvement in all church mission projects. She represents SAPW on the SAPC Mission Committee and informs SAPW of opportunities to collaborate and grow in mission outreach. She prepares and submits the annual Together In Service Report to New Hope Presbytery by March 31.

### **HISTORIAN**

The Historian takes pictures at all SAPW events and posts photos on SAPW Facebook page as well as SAPC website. She completes and submits the annual PC-USA Historian Report to New Hope Presbytery by January 31.

### **ANGEL CARE**

The Angel Care Leader acts as the liaison between the pastors or Care Deacons and the Angel Care volunteers who fill requests for meals, rides and other needs of church members. She maintains a list of volunteers, notifies the volunteers of requests for help, and ensures that the needs are met. She also sends cards when there is a death or birth and oversees the flower ministry.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR**

The Special Events Coordinator consults with the leadership team to plan two special events for the women of the church. She recruits a committee of 2-4 people to plan and facilitate each event.

### **RETREAT COORDINATOR(S)**

The Retreat Coordinator leads an ad-hoc committee to plan and carry out all aspects of the annual SAPW weekend retreat. The retreat leader works with the SAPW treasurer regarding all finances related to the retreat.

### **COLLEGE CONNECTION COORDINATOR**

The College Connection leader coordinates the list of SAPC college students and distributes the names to SAPW Circles and individual church members who send cards and small gift cards (at exam time) to support our college students throughout the academic year.