

Participants in the summer children's program work together to bake a Three Kings Cake!



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CALENDAR

Every Saturday—Community Market 9:00-12:00
 June 16-28—Mike gone on mission trip.
 July 9—Common Grounds Bookstore & Coffee-shop grand opening
 July 10—SAC Board Meeting
 July 11—Seniors of St. Andrews lunch meeting
 July 15—Donor appreciation luncheon

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**From the Executive Director,
Rev. Michael L. Feely**

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"Summertime - and St. Andrews is busy!"

Summertime at the St. Andrews Center has been a busy time - we are enjoying the **Saturday community market**, we are appreciating the children and volunteers coming to the **summer program**, and we are watching everything grow in the **community garden** (and also praying for rain during this hot June!). We are profoundly grateful for all the good things that are going on, and for the good people who are involved at 1918 Union Avenue.

On **July 9**, we will have the official opening of our **"Common Grounds" bookstore and coffeeshop** at St. Andrews Center. This bookstore will occupy about half of the fellowship hall space (don't worry, there will still be room and tables for eating and socializing) and will be full of books (used and new) for all ages, reading levels, and language backgrounds. The focus of Common Grounds is to be a place where people can come and find books and fellowship. We hope it will be a place where the community can come and learn. There will be classes, chess tables, discussion groups and plenty of coffee. We will also be partnering with a local fair trade store to offer fair trade items from around the world. We may even look at running part of the community farmers market inside (or adjacent to) the bookstore.

I hope that you'll come by and visit with us. We still need some volunteer managers to help run the bookstore, so if you've ever been interested in the literary life, give me a call and we'll get you started!!

We'll see you this summer!!

Mike



Volunteers really make a difference!

We had three different groups from **Camp Lookout service week** who worked tirelessly moving furniture up and down stairs, washing walls, taking down drapes, and cleaning and reorganizing the kitchen and basement. They were followed by a delightful group of high schoolers from **Germantown Presbyterian Church near Memphis** who spent two days painting and working on the kitchen. They painted the SAC office and conference room and touched up the hallway and many-colored door frames near the offices. In the kitchen, they tore out the old vent duct work, scraped the ceiling, installed a new vent cabinet, and built a new hand-washing sink vanity. Finally, **Chris Schobert**, completed the kitchen work by doing the plumbing on the hand-washing sink. **THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!**

**From the desk of Lisa Nichols,
Program Director**

Planning for the Future

The 2007-08 school year has just ended, but we're already planning ahead for 2008-09. The educational programming at St. Andrews Center will be working with elementary, middle, and high school levels in mid-September.

St. Andrews Center After-School program will work with 40 students from East Side Elementary under the direction of Marisol Jimenez. We will meet Monday-Thursday from 3:00-5:00 and offer snacks, 45 minutes of enrichment and 45 minutes of arts, recreation, and socialization. Volunteers will be needed to assist in all areas of the program.

The Opportunity Club will continue to offer help with homework, time for getting to know each other better, and recreation for East Ridge High School students. We will meet one day each week (probably Tuesday) at the downtown YMCA. Both adult and youth volunteers will be welcomed for the Opportunity Club.

There's not a lot going on after school hours in East Lake, so St. Andrews Center is planning for an Opportunity Club Junior. We will offer students from East Lake Academy help with homework, literacy and math enrichment, recreation, and socialization. We hope to work with educational providers and volunteers to make one day each week (maybe Wednesday or Thursday) a special time for students in that neighborhood.

How are the programs possible? Your gifts of time and resources will enable us to provide snacks and academic and social enrichment for over 100 students throughout the city. How can **you** help?

Thank you! LISA