**St. Andrews Lutheran Church**

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**St. Andrew’s Grant Guidelines**

**Program Summary**

The purpose of the St. Andrews Grant is to further our church mission of “*Inspiring our community to live out the hope found in Christ*” by assisting our church groups in reaching out to others and sharing the hope we have in Christ.

**Funding**

Funding of these grants comes from our 2014-2015 budget surplus. St. Andrews Mission & Ministry Council along with our Senior Pastor has voted to set aside ten percent of the surplus as grant opportunity for congregational groups.

 Specific guidelines and requirements of this program are listed below.

**“Inspiring our community to live out the hope found in Christ”**

**Program Guidelines and Requirements**

* Grants are open to groups of St. Andrews Lutheran Church members (i.e. small groups, youth groups, LWML, MOPS, Good Shepherd, teams formed for this purpose, etc.). Grant proposals from individuals will not be considered. *“For where two or three are gathered together in my name. there am I in the midst of them” Matthew 18:20*
* The grants must benefit the local community. As many of our members live and work in the surrounding communities we believe our local community includes Stockton and the immediate surrounding towns.
* The St. Andrews Mission & Ministry Council (MMC) will be the ad hoc Grant Committee and will make all determinations on grant approvals and distribution amounts.
* A total grant amount of $3,800 has been set aside for this program. Individual grants requests may not exceed $1,000. The Grant Committee may provide all or part of the requested grant amount to an accepted proposal.
* Written grant proposals must be presented to the MMC. Grant proposals may be turned in at any time. Written proposals may be turned into the church office or sent via email to admin@standrewsstockton.org.
* Groups submitting a grant proposal may be required to present an oral presentation to the council before the grant is approved.
* Projects must be completed no later than June 30th, 2016.
* Distributed grant monies must be used for approved grant purposes only. Audits of distributed grant monies are at the discretion of the Grant Committee.
* All groups receiving grant monies must present a testimony (live or video) during worship service as determined by the Senior Pastor.

**Approval, Distribution of Funds, Additional Information**

Approval of grant proposals will be determined by the MMC and the Senior Pastor after a review of proposals and oral presentations. Timing of approval and distribution of funds will be determined by the amount of proposals received. Additional information will be provided to the groups that are approved for grants. Any questions or comments regarding the grant process may be directed to the Mission & Ministry Council or Pastor Dan Deuel.

**MMC Members**

David Thompson-President

Amy Lapointe-Vice President

Tunde Baker-Secretary/Treasurer

Pat Doyle-Member at Large

Ryan Turner--Member at Large

Ted Schroeder-Member at Large

Joel Rehbein-Member at Large

**What to Include in a Grant Proposal**

* Group/Team of members participating
* Date(s) event is expected to occur.
* Amount of money requested and the purpose of those funds
* What you plan to accomplish and how that fits into our church’s mission, values, and goals.
* Who do you hope to bless through this work and how you hope that will occur.
* What you hope the short and long term impact of this project will be for those participating and/or being served.
* Any other information you consider important.

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