

## 2018 Order of St. Andrew Annual Report

The mission of Order of St. Andrew is to be supportive caregivers to the Federated Church family. We achieve this mission through the following means:

**Visitation:** We connect with families who have experienced hospitalization or loss. Regularly scheduled visitations are made with people who are living in local retirement and nursing care centers. Many visits include small gifts.

**Prayer Chain:** Prayer is a powerful practice as we extend support to the Federated Church family. The prayer chain was reorganized this year to include people who prefer e-mail and text message for prayer request notifications.

**Card Ministry:** Notes of encouragement are written each month. We also send thank you notes to people who make a memorial contribution to the Federated Church.

**Spiritual Growth:** The Order provides several publications to support the spiritual lives of our church family. They include: [These Days](#), [CareNotes](#), [I'm OK](#) and [Holiday Grief](#).

**Flower Power:** We deliver plants to homebound members and nursing homes following the Easter services. We assist in the annual Necrology Service by reciting the names of those who have died in the past year and honoring their memory with a white rose.

**New This Year:** A group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 11:30 to be present in prayer. It is an open group and we welcome each of you to gather with us. Our pastors, church leaders, church family, community, nation and world are held in prayer. Prayers will be spoken for every person in our congregation.

Members of the OSA extend Christian love and support in far more ways than reported here. This is often done in private. With God's help, we strive to share our blessings with others.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Sanderson