

2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action

August / September Newsletter, Website Announcement, and August 26 Bulletin Announcement

September is National Hunger Action Month. Challenge and deepen your spiritual life as you read, reflect, and take action to end hunger in our community and across the country. Pick up a copy of the Society of St. Andrew's *2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action* along with a coin box (one per family, please) in (location) after worship today. The calendar includes Scripture readings and related reflections or activities, suitable for the entire family, for each day of September. Return your filled coin box to church on World Communion Sunday, October 7. Hunger Action Month offerings will be received and dedicated during regular services of worship that day.

September 2 Bulletin Announcement

The Society of St. Andrew shares healthy, nourishing food with hungry people right here in the USA by sending willing volunteers to glean (pick, dig, or gather) fresh fruits and vegetables from fields and orchards. Last year more than 41,000 volunteers worked with the Society of St. Andrew to put more than 85 million servings of food on the tables of those who need it most. As you use the Society of St. Andrew's *2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action* throughout September, National Hunger Action Month, you are making sure that good food is not wasted and that our hungry brothers and sisters are fed. You, too, can be a willing volunteer with SoSA.

September 9 Bulletin Announcement

Are you taking part in National Hunger Action Month? If so, then please think about what it means to have enough, through our own God-given means. Our senior citizens and our children are vulnerable—as they depend on others to stand in the gap between their resources and their needs for food. Pray for those in our community who struggle to put food on their tables as you continue to use the Society of St. Andrew's *2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action* throughout September.

September 16 Bulletin Announcement

Is your Society of St. Andrew coin box filling up? With the Society of St. Andrew's *2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action*, today you'll consider the idea of justice as it relates to food. In some poor communities, there is a lack of readily available, affordable fresh food. Fast food restaurants and convenience stores are not a good alternative to a grocery store. Consider putting 50¢ in your coin box every time you drive to your local grocery store. Thanks for helping to feed the hungry through the Society of St. Andrew in September, National Hunger Action Month.

September 23 Bulletin Announcement

Today, we ask that you skip one meal, to get just a glimpse of what our hungry neighbors regularly experience. Pray for the people in your immediate area who cannot provide their own next meal, and visit a food bank that is serving them. Setting aside a small amount of money to further the Society of St. Andrew's work, putting healthy food on the tables of hungry people.

September 30 Bulletin Announcement

National Hunger Action Month is drawing to a close. Today, we ask that you pray for a better future for our hungry neighbors! Carry them to the Lord in prayer. By using the Society of St. Andrew's 2018 Calendar for Prayer and Action at home, you have been taking action against hunger, praying about hunger, advocating against hunger, and setting aside a small amount of money to further the Society of St. Andrew's work, putting healthy food on the tables of hungry people. Bring your coin box and other gifts for the Society of St. Andrew next Sunday, October 7, when we will receive and dedicate them during our services of worship. Your gifts are providing food and restoring hope to many of our neighbors!

October 7 Litany of Dedication / Prayer of Dedication (attached)

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