

## *Andrew College Sunday*

Andrew College Sunday has been designated by the South Georgia Conference annually for the third Sunday of February. This year, Andrew College Sunday falls on February 17<sup>th</sup>. On this day, congregations of The United Methodist Church in the surrounding area take up an offering for Andrew College as a material and symbolic show of support for the college's Methodist roots and current ministry. For more information, please contact Chad Howell, Director of Development, at [chadhowell@andrewcollege.edu](mailto:chadhowell@andrewcollege.edu) or (229) 732-5940. If you would like to make a donation in honor of Andrew Sunday, please print this page and return it with your donation and the name of your church to:

Development  
Andrew College  
413 College Street  
Cuthbert, GA 39840

Located in historic Cuthbert, the Andrew College was founded in 1854 on land donated by Maria Brookings Taylor, a local Methodist woman. Local Methodist minister John Hollis Caldwell and local educator Andrew Leary O'Brien raised the initial \$9,413.45 to begin Andrew Female College. When the Civil War began, classes were held in private homes as the college building became Hood Hospital for the Confederacy. Andrew College became a junior college in 1917, and a coeducational institution in 1956.

Andrew College has consistently been a leader in innovation at the higher education level. In 1866, the college introduced the first physical education curriculum for women in the United States. In 1912, Andrew began offering a training course for Sunday school teachers, the first such course given at a Methodist College in Georgia. More recently, Andrew became one of the first colleges to offer a strategic studies curriculum. Originally a summer program designed to correct academic deficiencies in 1960, the program became so popular that The Andrew College Developmental Studies Program was born in 1972. Andrew College has also been at the forefront of the servant leadership movement in higher education, and Andrew Serves is one of the only junior college servant leadership programs in the country.

Andrew College was named for Methodist Bishop James Osgood Andrew, who dedicated the college in 1856. Andrew is proud of its heritage and close relationship with The United Methodist Church, and hopes to continue the ministry for which Bishop Andrew dedicated it all those years ago.

Andrew College is a small, residential, two-year college related to The United Methodist Church. Its mission is to provide an academically challenging liberal arts curriculum within a nurturing community. In keeping with its Christian heritage, Andrew College provides an environment which prepares students for further study at a senior college and enables them to understand themselves as persons of responsibility and potential within the global community. Andrew College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate degrees. Andrew College is listed by the University Senate of The United Methodist Church.